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KXIP BEAT SUNRISERS IN LOW-SCORING CONTEST

Kings XI Punjab beat Sunrisers Hyderabad by 12 runs in the Indian Premier League match on Saturday. It was their fourth successive win of the season, a victory which looked unlikely at one point. Chasing 127 to win, Hyderabad surrendered from 110/4 to 114 all out and handed the game to Punjab. KXIP have notched five wins so far | **P15**

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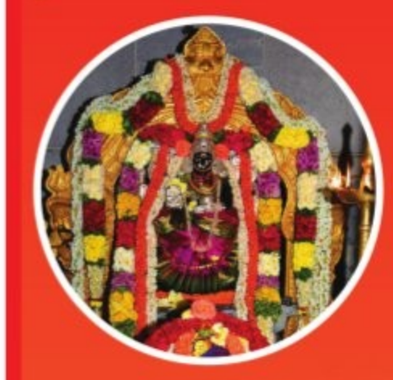

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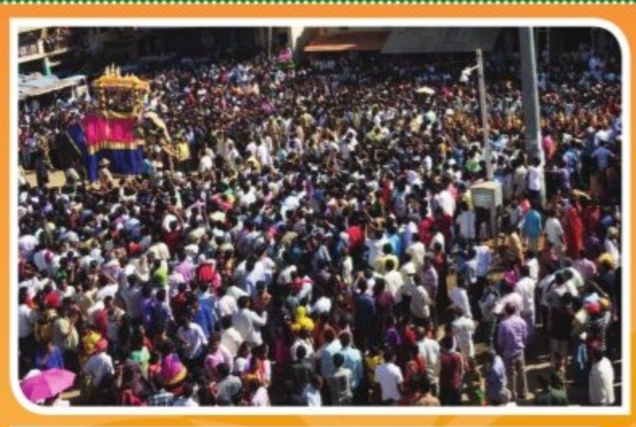

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Our offices and press will remain closed today and there will be no issue of the paper on Monday

LAST DATE TO FILE FY2019-20 ITR EXTENDED TILL DEC 31

The Centre on Saturday extended the deadline for individual taxpayers to file tax returns by a month till December 31

SECOND EXTENSION AMID THE PANDEMIC

For those whose accounts need to be audited, the new deadline to file income tax returns is Jan 31, 2021. Those who need to furnish report in respect of international/specified domestic transactions have also been given time till Jan 31. In May, the Centre had extended the various due dates to file ITRs for FY-20 from July 31 to Nov 30 in view of Covid-19

MORE TIME TO FILE GST RETURNS

- Separately, the government extended the due date for filing GST annual returns for FY2018-19 by two months till Dec 31
- Further, adding to the festive cheer, the government late on Friday night announced a waiver of interest on interest for loans up to ₹2 crore, irrespective of whether moratorium was availed or not

Jan 31, 2021

NEW DUE DATE FOR PAYMENT OF SELF-ASSESSMENT TAX

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NC chief chosen chairman of People's Alliance, Mehbooba Mufti vice-chief

WE ARE AGAINST BJP, NOT INDIA, SAYS FAROOQ

BJP threatens sedition case against Mufti

J&K BJP leader Kavinder Gupta said Mehbooba Mufti's statement that she will not raise the tri-colour till J&K's flag and constitution are restored, is 'anti-national' and that a sedition case can be filed against her. "Her remarks are an insult and humiliation to Indian flag," he added

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

PEOPLE'S Alliance for Gupkar Declaration is an anti-BJP platform but it is not anti-national, National Conference president Farooq Abdullah said on Saturday after being named chairman of the grouping. PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti is the vice-chairperson while Sajjad Gani Lone of People's Conference has been named spokesman of the alliance.

Formed by seven mainstream parties to fight for restoration of Article 370, the outfit also adopted the flag of the erstwhile J&K state as its symbol as a mark of defiance to the constitutional changes made by the Centre on August 5 last year.

The seven parties are the National Conference, PDP, People's Conference, JKPM, ANC, CPI(M) and the CPI. Congress was also part of the August 4, 2019 Gupkar Declaration, but its leaders have of late been skipping meetings.

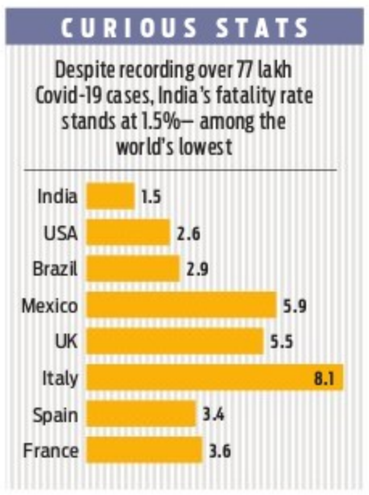
Talking to reporters, Abdullah said, "The BJP is creating false propaganda that People's Alliance is anti-national. We are not anti-national but we are anti-BJP. They have made attempts to divide the country and divide the federal structure. They trampled the Constitution by abrogating Articles 370 and 35A last year. Our aim is to ensure that rights of people of Jammu, Kashmir and Ladakh are restored."

Spokesman Sajjad said the outfit will release a white paper within a month on governance lapses in J&K since the reading down of Article 370. The next meeting of People's Alliance will be held within two weeks in Jammu. P12

Despite poor hygiene, India's Covid deaths low

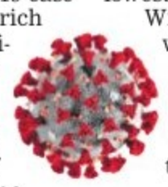
CURIOUS STATS

Despite recording over 77 lakh Covid-19 cases, India's fatality rate stands at 1.5%— among the world's lowest



SUMI SUKANYA DUTTA @ New Delhi

COUNTRIES with poor hygiene, sanitation and quality of water appear to have a lower Covid-19 case fatality rate as compared to rich countries with better hygienic conditions, a study has found.



The latest analysis by researchers in India has added to the growing body of evidence in support of the "hygiene hypothesis," which argues that areas or countries with high levels of background infections are likely to experience fewer Covid-19 deaths.

Till Friday morning, India had registered 1,17,306 infection deaths even though the total Covid-19 case load in the country was 77,61,312. This means the country has a case fatality ratio of 1.5%, among the lowest in the world.

Within the country, Bihar, which lags behind most states on socio-economic development parameters, managed to keep the death rate at 0.5%, or one third the national average.

Bihar is not alone with a low CFR. Kerala and Assam, with a rate of 0.4, Telangana 0.5, and Jharkhand and Chhattisgarh at 0.9 have CFR less than one. But Maharashtra, Gujarat and Punjab, which are more developed states, have CFR values of 2 or higher. CONTINUED ON: P11

CM announces ₹25K relief for B'luru flood affected

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Bengaluru

A day after parts of Bengaluru came to a standstill following heavy rain and flooding, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa visited the houses of the affected families and announced relief of Rs 25,000.

During his survey of the affected areas, the CM had a tough time reaching many houses as he was greeted with buckets filled with drain water, which the locals had drained out from their houses. At other places, Yediyurappa, Revenue Minister R Ashok, BBMP Commissioner N Manjunatha Prasad and Administrator Gaurav Gupta, had to make their way through clothes hung out for drying and soiled food items to inspect the damage indoors.

Speaking to the media, CM said handing over of cheques to the affected people will start immediately. He said compensation will be given to all those whose essential supplies have got washed away. "Officials will conduct a survey and distribute cheques to the affected. As per the information I have received, anywhere between 650 and 800 houses have been affected," he said. The CM admitted that the situation was very grim and assured that a permanent solution will be found soon.

Before heading out to the worst affected Dattatreya Layout in Hosakerehalli, and Kumaraswamy Layout, the CM held a meeting with Ashok and BBMP officials. P9

K'taka govt will give free Covid vaccine, says DyCM

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Belagavi

UNDER fire from the opposition for announcing free Covid-19 vaccination for the Bihar electorate in its Assembly poll manifesto, leaders from the ruling BJP in Karnataka are now in a damage-control exercise. Deputy Chief Minister Dr C N Ashwath Narayan on Saturday declared in Belagavi that the State Government will provide Covid-19 vaccination free of cost to all the people of Karnataka once it is ready after successful trials.

Speaking to media persons at Belagavi airport, Ashwath Narayan hit out at former Chief Minister Siddaramaiah for challenging the government to announce free Covid-19 vaccination for the people of Karnataka. "The State Government is already treating Covid patients free of cost and all health care facilities to people from all classes are being provided," he pointed out. P9

BIG PICTURE — COVID-19 VACCINE IN HORIZON, STATE GETS READY TO INJECT ALL P5

INTERVIEW

'JAGAN SHOULD'VE WRITTEN TO GUV'

Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister Jagan Mohan Reddy violated the doctrine of separation of powers between the executive and the judiciary by writing a letter to Chief Justice of India S A Bobde, senior advocate and former additional solicitor general Indira Jaising told *TNIE*

INDIRA JAISING
Former additional solicitor general

Q&A: P11

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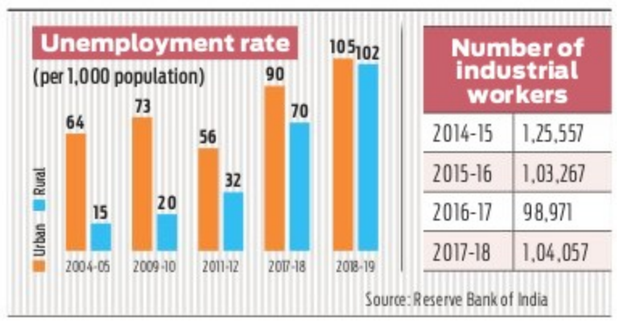

Number of industrial workers	
2014-15	1,25,557
2015-16	1,03,267
2016-17	98,971
2017-18	1,04,057

Source: Reserve Bank of India

JOBS, NOT CASTE, TO SWING BIHAR POLLS

KUMAR VIKRAM & RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR
@ New Delhi / Patna

AJAY Sahni of Kurdhani village in Bihar's Muzaffarpur has been sitting idle for the past six months. He used to work in Delhi as an electrician and led a fairly comfortable life, until March-end when lockdown kicked in.

"There is no scope of employment in the village nor did I get any work under the MGNREGA or any other government scheme," Sahni said. To make ends meet, he was forced to sell fish sometimes.

Mahesh Sah of Ratnali village is also in the same boat. He returned from Mumbai where he worked with a textiles firm. "We managed to return in April but have not got a single man day's work with the MGNREGA so I now work as a farm labourer," he said.

Sahni and Sah are not isolated cases of migrant workers unable to get meaningful employment. A majority of the 22 lakh migrants who returned to the state have not managed to get jobs, adding to the already growing unemployment in the state.

Not surprisingly, the Rashtriya Janata Dal, the Bharatiya Janata Party and the Janata Dal (United), the top three contenders in the ongoing Bihar polls, have all made unemployment a major talking point, and for good reason.

RBI's recently released Handbook of Statistics on Indian States says Bihar's unemployment has risen steadily in the past 15 years.

While the urban unemployment rate was 64 per 1,000 in 2004-05, it went up to 105 in 2018-19.

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- **Ritu:** Sharad • **Masa:** Nija Ashwayuja • **Paksha:** Shukla • **Tithi:** Navami 10.43 am
- **Nakshatra:** Shravana 6.34 am • Moon in Vrischika Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 04:30 pm to 06:00pm
- **Gulikakala:** 03:00 pm to 04:30 pm • **Yamaganda:** 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm

MYSURU WEATHER

MIN 20°C | MAX 27°C

FORECAST
Rain showers. Mostly cloudy

Sunrise	6.11 am
Sunset	5.55 pm
Moonrise	2.10 pm
Moonset	1.07 am

A TASTE OF KODAGU

Commonly known as black vinegar, 'kachampuli' is indigenous to the district and is prepared by locals

PRAJNA G R @Madikeri

UDIYANDA Subbaiah, a 90-year-old resident of K Nidugane in Madikeri, is always busy during the rainy season. While most of the residents stay indoors due to the wet and chilly weather, Subbaiah (aka thaatha) goes out early in the morning and begins his search for the Malabar tamarind fruit – scientifically called Garcinia gummi-gutta.

With his feet buried in slush, Subbaiah walks miles to collect the ripened fruits. He rushes back home with a basketful and sits down to remove loads of bloodsucking leeches that have crept all over him. He later sets up a make-shift tent and begins the tedious job of brewing vinegar from the fruit – popularly known as Kodagu's 'kachampuli'.

Kodagu district is known for its exclusive traditional culinary and the 'pandi' (pork) curry tops the table. And adding the special tang to these traditional non-vegetarian dishes is 'kachampuli' or 'pulineer' (puli in Kodava language means sour). Commonly known as black vinegar, 'kachampuli' is indigenous to the district and is prepared by the locals during the rainy season.

"The 'kachampuli' fruits start to ripen following the first rain in the monsoon season. Every day, we collect the ripened fruits that are mostly fallen on the ground. We take the fruits home and separate the seeds. Next, we put the fruits on a handmade wooden grill, which is fixed atop wood fire. The fruits have to be dried at high temperature continuously for nearly two days. The dried fruits are then put in boiling water (measured in proper proportion) and kept in a container for over a day. The pulp gets separated from the fruit in the boiling water and the water is strained, which is then heated constantly on wood fire for nearly two days...the water must be heated until it gets thick and starts foaming. It might take more than two days sometimes," explains K A Vedavathi, a resident of Galibeedu, about this sour extract. She has been brewing 'kachampuli' for nearly 25 years now.

While there are various methods of making 'kachampuli', Subbaiah follows the simplest one. "Until the extracted vinegar is thick and filled with flavour, the method used to brew it will not make much of a difference," he opines. Subbaiah collects the ripe fruits, squeezes the pulp and brings the liquid to perfect blend by constantly heating it – sometimes for two days straight.

Kodengada Sumithra Nanaiah of Kiruguru village has been brewing 'kachampuli' in the most authentic way for 25 years now. "A funnel-like structure is raised using wooden logs and this structure is called 'bhalley' in Kodava language. Banana leaves are used to cover the funnel and the 'bhalley' is filled with the ripened fruits. The structure is covered to prevent rainwater entering it and a container is placed under the filter. Once the fruits start to ferment, the juice drops down into the container. The liquid collected is then heated on wood fire and the thickened extract is 'kachampuli' or 'pulineer'," explains Anju Thimmaiah, daughter-in-law of Sumithra.

The popularity of this black vinegar is reaching worldwide even as Michelin Star Chef Gordon Ramsay was introduced to its authentic taste during his recent visit to Kodagu.

'Kachampuli' is usually bought from the locals who prepare it without adulteration. The numerous spices shops that have opened across the district have become good marketers for the product and the vinegar is reaching all across the country. "We sell the thickened vinegar at Rs 700 to Rs 800 per 750 ml bottle. The same is sold at a higher price in retail shops, but the product at retail shops is prone to adulteration and is usually watery," explains Ramyashree, daughter of Vedavathi.

The Ponnampet Forestry College has now started an initiative to rejuvenate the Garcinia gummi-gutta trees. They have started a nursery where grafts of the plant are sold to farmers. The college administration is also promoting the traditional art of brewing 'kachampuli' as the Garcinia gummi-gutta fruits are collected in large numbers from the farmers and the students of the college are involved in brewing the traditional vinegar.

VARIOUS USES

Nothing goes waste while preparing 'pulineer'. There is great demand for the dried pulp in neighbouring Kerala. It is sold between ₹75 and ₹ 100 per kg

PULI POINTS

- 'Kachampuli' is locally brewed by many residents and this earns the local families an annual income
- This vinegar has a shelf-life of nearly three years
- Malabar tamarind trees are not cultivated but are found naturally across the terrains of the district

Mother-daughter duo Vedavathi and Ramyashree at work. Nonagenarian Subbaiah brewing Kachampuli. Inset: Garcinia gummi-gutta fruit | EXPRESS

Dr Usha Hegde has won numerous medals and accolades in long-distance athletics like duathlon and triathlon

Dentist to triathlete: Driven to run

K RATHNA @Mysuru

WHILE cycling on holidays with friends is a joyous pastime, this 49-year-old dentist from Mysuru is riding the sports track for the 'long run'. Dr Usha Hegde is one passionate athlete whose love for sports simply proves age is just a number.

Originally from Bengaluru, Dr Usha moved to Mysuru. She underwent her first serious athletic long-distance training in 1987 at the Kanteerava Stadium in Bengaluru. Over time, she learnt to cycle, swim, run and trek, and has participated in several events – endurance running, duathlon (cycle and run), triathlon (swim, cycle and run), winning medals and accolades.

Running the 10K and half-marathons for 10 years made her take on the more exhilarating full marathon – a gruelling race covering 42.2 km. She started cycling through Mysuru-Ooty, Mysuru-Goa, and Manali-Leh. Her race to the triathlon track has been gradual.

"Triathlon is very challenging because it involves swimming, cycling and running in one race. Even if one manages all the three, doing it as a single sport, back-to-back needs a lot of physical adaptations and a tough mental makeup. But with proper training, it is not impossible," she says.

Speaking about the prospects, she adds, "Triathlon is an expensive sport, not just participating in an Ironman event, but also training for it since we need to possess a lot of things. For elite triathletes, there are sponsors, but generally, it is self-funded. However, the sport is picking up in India now."

She says, "After training hard, participating in an Ironman event is like an icing on the cake."

Dr Usha has some advice for budding triathletes. She feels that one needs to understand the different aspects of the sport, train sensibly with a proper regimen.

And how does a dentist balance her profession and passion for sport? "It's just a matter of prioritising our passions and work and managing time appropriately," says Dr Usha.

"I wake up at 4 am and start practice by 4.30 am. I neither watch a lot of TV nor go out much. My fitness time ranges from 7 hours a week to about 16 hours, based on the event and training plan," she says.

Dr Usha follows a balanced diet, eating three proper meals and two small bites in between. She has avoided junk food since childhood. Dr Usha is married to orthopaedist Dr Ajay Hegde and is the mother of two children.

Besides being a good sportswoman, she has been strong in academics as well. She was the university first rank-holder in graduation and bagged three gold medals too.

A word of motivation for women who wish to power the race track. Says Dr Usha: "The sheer role of women makes it difficult for them to prioritise health over others at home. But we women should make time for ourselves, and not give up on our passions."

What is Ironman Triathlon?

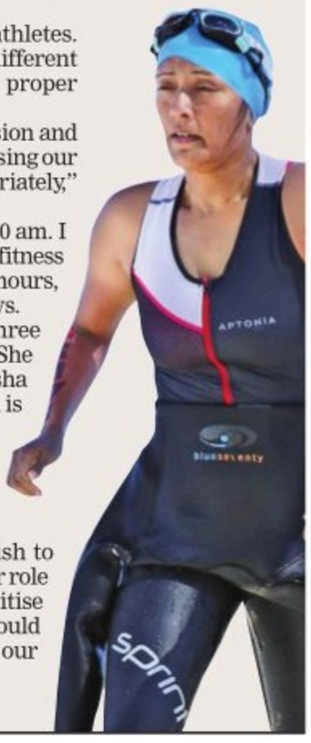
Ironman Triathlon is a one-day long-distance triathlon race. It starts with a swim (3.86 km in sea/river); followed by

180 km

cycling and ends with

42.2 km

running. All these must be completed in 17 hours and Dr Usha completed it in 14 hours 30 minutes in Busselton, Western Australia, on December 1, 2019.



WINTER MIGRATION

FEATHERED FRIENDS FLOCK TO BELLANDUR LAKE

BOSKY KHANNA @Bengaluru

HERE'S some good news: Birds can be seen flocking to Bellandur lake and its surroundings for the third consecutive day.

The lake which was in news for all the wrong reasons - being choked with sewage, flooding, frothing and even on fire, is now becoming a photographers delight. The sight of birds roosting, feeding and flying around the lake has left locals pleasantly delighted.

Since Thursday, pelicans, egrets, cormorants and storks have been spotted, say locals.

Experts say that now since the depth of water in the lake is around two feet, there are juvenile fish and as the lake is filled with only with clean rain water, birds are making a comeback after more than five years, during which the lake was little more than a sewage tank.

Interestingly, the bird have been sighted in parts of the lake that have been desilted. This has left the National Green Tribunal (NGT) expert committee members delighted. They point out that the pressure on the government only increases to ensure that no sewage enters into the lake, the construction of the 150MLD sewage treatment plant is completed, and all diversion channels are well maintained.

"The sighting of birds is a a sign that work is happening in the right direction. It is a good sign. However it should only be improved so that migratory birds, which once flocked to the lake, make a comeback. It is also an indication that proper wetlands and islands are created and maintained so that there is sufficient roosting and breeding habitat for the birds. Looking at the present condition (of shallow water with a depth of under five feet) and availability of fish, the birds will remain here for around 10-15 days. The lake is filled with rainwater and mud and it is a good sign," an NGT member told *TNSE*.

Marshals and Bangalore Development Authority engineers assured that all measures will be taken to ensure the avifauna is not harmed or disturbed.

Storks, egrets and other migratory birds at Bellandur lake | EXPRESS

Smart road to meet deadline, be ready in a week

PREEJA PRASAD @Bengaluru

CITIZENS can breathe a sigh of relief as one of the Smart City initiatives from Planetarium Road to Minsk Square will be completed within a week's time, that is, November 1, as per its scheduled deadline.

The road, green buffer zone, pedestrian walk as well as the cycle lane will be completed for citizens to use. This comes despite the department having to overcome several hurdles, including the heavy rains in the past one week as well as illegal pipelines and cables which were not observed in the original plan. The work on the 0.92 km stretch had started in January and was stalled due to the pandemic lockdown.

"If the plan showed existing two pipelines underground, after digging we would find an extra one. We had to remove all of them and put new ones. We have been constantly inspecting the work every day to ensure despite a deadline, that the work is done properly," Hephsiba Rani Korlapati, Managing Director (MD) at Bengaluru Smart City Ltd told *The New Sunday Express*.

Bengaluru Smart City Limited, under the Smart Cities Mission, has taken up 13 projects (with 36 specific roads) for revitalisation of the central areas of the city and is currently constructing the roads in the CBD area. These roads have been taken up as part of the Original Action Plan proposed by the BBMP in 2017.

The total length of these road works is 30 km and the 'smart' roads are being built on the lines of TenderSURE roads of BBMP. The major stakeholders are BBMP, Bengaluru Traffic Police, Bescom, BWSSB, BSNL, BMTC as well as 20 college interns who have been bringing in their ideas and work into the project.

A team from the Directorate of Urban Land Transport and a few consultants from World Resources Institute (WRI) have been on-site to handhold and guide concerning drawings and design issues. As part of post-pandemic sustainable mobility designs, cycling tracks, seamless connectivity in the cycling district, several place-making themes have been included as part of the road works.

RUSH BEFORE FESTIVITIES

There was a festive atmosphere at Gandhi Bazaar on the eve of Ayudha Puja on Saturday, with people thronging the market place | SHRIRAM BN

A Covid vaccine shot for all

CHETANA BELAGERE @Bengaluru

FROM the BJP government at the Centre to US presidential candidate Joe Biden, the promise of delivering "free vaccination for all" has become a part of the election campaign. While globally, scientists are working at a breakneck speed to ready a vaccine by 2020 end or early 2021, the BJP's promise of a free Covid vaccine for all in Bihar has turned it into an election issue.

Karnataka, which has seen a considerable drop in new cases, is chalking out a strategy to ensure that all people are vaccinated and Deputy Chief Minister Dr Ashwath Narayan on Saturday said that the vaccine will be free for all in the state.

Ahead of the bypolls to two Assembly constituencies, opposition Congress too has demanded the vaccine be made free.

Voicing a similar view, Dr Halanuru S Lepakshi, an independent candidate from the South East Graduates' constituency, said, "It is unfortunate that none of the candidates from the ruling party is talking about it."

Health Department officials said that a series of meetings are being held with over 500 experts on rolling out the vaccine.

"From high testing to number of recoveries, the State has done a tremendous job in handling the pandemic. With a vaccine to be out in the next few months, the State doesn't want to be lax on procurement and delivery. A series of meetings are being held at the State and Central level," said state Health and Minister Dr K Sudhakar.

The Centre has given the State three months to prepare a plan, sources said. "The Union Health Ministry is ready with a plan to use 400-500 million doses of Covid-19 vaccine, covering approximately 25 crore people by July 2021," Dr Sudhakar explained.

The World Health Organisation says around 240 vaccines are in early development, with 40 in clinical trials and nine in the final stages of testing. Health officials in the State said three vaccine candidates are viable — AstraZeneca and the Oxford University's vaccine being produced in collaboration with Pune-based Serum Institute of India in the third phase of trials, Zydus Cadila's candidate in phase-2 trials since August 6, and Bharat Biotech's vaccine in phase-2 trials since September.

Dr Sudhakar said that a vaccine is expected by January, but there is an issue: "Though India has a vast experience in immunisation of children, we have not done extensive adult vaccination like in the West. We need to plan this well and do it in phases."

BIG PICTURE

A digital platform will be developed to ensure that everyone is vaccinated.

The Centre is working on one such platform, while the State too will develop its own soon to track the vaccine "from procurement to storage to distribution to individual beneficiaries," a senior health official said.

A senior epidemiologist said that the state should involve private players in vaccine distribution. "A public-private partnership model will be ideal. But the Centre and State are not ready for it now," he said.

The state has decided to vaccinate people in phases, with the first covering health and sanitisation staff, ASHA workers, surveillance officers and volunteers. The tentative schedule for this is January-end or early February 2021.

The next phase will cover vulnerable populations, like people with comorbidities, and is likely to be done by May or June.

Only after this, the rest of the population will be vaccinated. "In the next three months, collecting data and rechecking the available data will start. Thousands of people are being involved and technology is being developed," a health ministry official said.

Kalaburagi District Health Officer Dr Rajashekhar Male and WHO Representative of Kalaburagi district Dr Anil Talikoti said that DHOs of all districts have been asked to make a list of healthcare providers and submit it by October 28 to allow the State to dispatch it to the Centre by October 30.

Dakshina Kannada Deputy Commissioner K V Rajendra said, "The process of collecting data on health workers has already begun." In Shivamogga, DHO Dr Rajesh Suragihalli said, "We have around 4,750 staff including ASHAs."

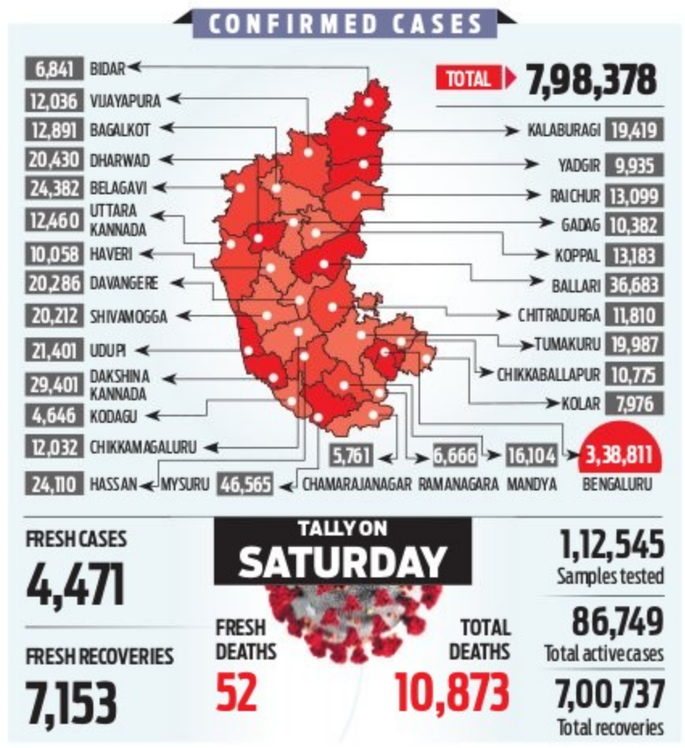
With inputs from: Ramkrishna Badsheshi, Arunkumar Huralimath, Marx Tejaswi, Subash Chandra G

'Remdesivir satisfactory'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @Bengaluru

WHILE the World Health Organisation has stated that Remdesivir has "little or no effect" in reducing Covid deaths, Dr C N Manjunath, Director, Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research and member of Karnataka's Covid task force, said that the drug has definitely shown satisfactory results in Karnataka.

During a virtual discussion on infectious diseases control, Dr Manjunath said that in his experience, remdesivir was satisfactory. "It should not be given when patients are very sick and on the ventilator. It needs to be started early. Remdesivir should be used if you catch a patient at a moderate stage. It leads to fast recovery and reduces hospitalization time also. It is now quite cost-effective too," he said.



'Taking steps to check spread of diseases'

BANSY KALAPPA @Bengaluru

AFTER getting the additional portfolio of Health recently, Medical Education Minister Dr K Sudhakar's first challenge is tackling the twin problems of flooding and the pandemic. He says the focus is on hygiene and lists measures being taken to ensure diseases, including Covid-19, don't spread. He speaks about making sure people follow all protocols like wearing masks and maintaining social distancing during the festival and poll seasons. Excerpts.

Many parts of Karnataka are devastated by floods. How are you dealing with the twin challenges?

I have held a video conference with the district administrations of Kalaburagi, Bagalkot, Koppal, Yadgir, Belagavi and Vijayapura, which have been hit by floods. Measures are being taken to prevent the spread of diseases, including Covid-19, dengue, chikungunya and Japanese Encephalitis. Clean drinking water, hygienic food, masks, hand washing facilities, sanitiser and social distancing are being ensured in rehabilitation centres. Elderly women, children below 5 years, pregnant women and other vulnerable categories are being housed in PHCs, CHCs and taluk hospitals and their health is being monitored. Compared to last year, dengue, chikungunya and other diseases are under control in these districts this year.

Q&A

We are in a festive season and rules are being broken.

Taking a cue from what happened in Kerala during Onam (where cases rose), we have taken strict measures, especially in Mysuru. I have visited Mysuru at least four times to take stock of the measures. Thanks to enhanced testing resulting in early detection of cases, awareness campaigns, enforcement of precautionary measures and efforts of Corona warriors, state's Covid situation is getting better. On Friday, the positivity rate declined to 4.94% while case fatality rate plunged to 0.95%.

Covid protocols have been breached during campaigning for the bypolls.

Political parties and candidates are not only flouting the guidelines of the Election Commission, but exposing themselves and the public to the danger of infection. I urge parties and candidates to ensure that they not only cooperate with the district machinery in following the norms of public health safety, but also instil civic discipline in their cadre.

People are waiting for a vaccine. What preparations have you made for the distribution of the vaccine?

While it is the aim of our government to provide vaccination to each and every citizen at the earliest, the first priority is to administer it to all healthcare workers, both in government and private sector. If all goes well, the vaccine is expected to be available as early as January next year. The Central government is already working on a detailed plan on how to roll out the vaccine once it is ready. The Prime Minister has rightly said that the scale and reach of this exercise will be similar to that of the election process.

The Central authorities in a letter have said that numbers have come down in Karnataka because of fewer RT-PCR tests and called for an increase.

The State has set a target of conducting 80% of the total tests through the RT-PCR method, and on a day-on-day basis the target has been met in the past few days. Although we have ramped up RT-PCR, we will continue testing using RAT as it is the most useful point-of-care test, especially in the identification and treatment of SARI and ILI cases. Karnataka conducted 1,08,356 tests on Friday, out of which 86,741, that is, more than 80% of them are RT-PCR tests.

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REVOCATION OF POWER OF ATTORNEY

All persons known through these present that, I **C S Umai Habiba** wife of Chuna Rafi Ahmed, residing at No:331 4th B cross, HRBR Layout, 3rd block Bengaluru 560043, do hereby delete and cancel all the power and authorities given by me to Mr. Chuna Burhan Ahmed, S/o. Chuna Rafi Ahmed through a Power of Attorney dated 18/09/2020 registered as Document No: KCH-4-00075-2020-21 Cd No:KCHD671 Dated 18/09/2020 in the office of sub registrar Kacharkanhalli Bengaluru due to objections among other legal heirs.

I further declare that all or any of the acts done or performed by aforesaid Mr. Chuna Burhan Ahmed, S/o. Chuna Rafi Ahmed Residing at No:331 4th B cross, HRBR Layout, 3rd block Bangalore56043 under or in pursuance of the aforesaid power of attorney, dated 18/09/2020 shall not be deemed to be my acts nor done in my name or on my behalf in respect of Schedule "D" "E" "F" and "G" mentioned here in bellow:

SCHEDULE "D" PROPERTY

All the piece and parcel of the immovable property with superstructure standing thereon bearing No.2, in survey No.71, PID.No.94-43-40 Kadugondanahalli, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore, North Taluk, present Municipal No.40, Nagavara Main Road, Kadugondanahalli, ward No.94, Bangalore, measuring East to West 116 feet and North to South 83 feet, totally measuring 9620 square feet.

SCHEDULE "E" PROPERTY

All That Piece and Parcel of the Eastern Portion of the immoveable property carved out in No. 34/8 situated at Thanisandra Village K.R Puram Hobli, Bangalore. Presently Known as No. 3 Thuba layout Thanisandra Village K.R Puram Hobli Bangalore Taluk having new PID No. 006-W0497-35, and 34/8/3 presently comes under BBMP Ward No. 6, Thanisandra Bangalore Measuring East to West on the Northern Side 70 feet on the Southern Side 53.54 feet and North to South on the Eastern Side 77.9 feet and on the Western Side 89.64 feet, and totally measuring in all 5174.5 square feet with compound wall and twenty (20) square Acc house with basic amenities which is above the surface and below the soil.

SCHEDULE "F" PROPERTY

All That Piece and Parcel of the Eastern Portion of the immoveable property carved out in No. 34/8 situated at Thanisandra Village K.R Puram Hobli, Bangalore. Presently Known as No. 3 Thuba layout Thanisandra Village K.R Puram Hobli Bangalore Taluk having new PID No. 006-W0497-35, and 34/8/3 presently comes under BBMP Ward No. 6, Thanisandra Bangalore Measuring East to West on the Northern Side 70 feet on the Southern Side 53.54 feet and North to South on the Eastern Side 77.9 feet and on the Western Side 89.64 feet, and totally measuring in all 5174.5 square feet with compound wall and twenty (20) square Acc house with basic amenities which is above the surface and below the soil.

SCHEDULE "G" PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of land, being Eastern Portion carved out in No.31/4, situated at Nagawara Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore district, now known as No.339/2 'C' Block A. Haji Mohammed Ibrahim Sahib Main Road, Rashad agar, AC Post, Bangalore-560045. Presently comes under BBMP Ward No. 23 Measuring East to West 42.59 feet, North to South 93.9 feet totally measuring 3999.2 square feet out of 0.9 Guntas.

S/d. Chuna Rafi Ahmed, Advocate,
C S Umai Habiba
No:331, 4th B Cross, HRBR Layout,
3rd Block, Bengaluru 560043

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

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E-Tender Notice for the supply of Stores – No.GOC/Stores/E/10/2020

The following e-tender has been published in IREPS website. Firms are requested to Login to **http://www.ireps.gov.in** > login > e.Tender > Goods & Services (New) and **quote against the tender:** Manual quotations will not be entertained. **Closing time :** 14:30 hours

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PUBLIC NOTICE

"We hereby give public notice that we propose to accept the property comprised in Survey No./Property No. 53/35/1 in Chambenahalli Village, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District having an extent of 180.96 sq mtrs belonging to Devaraju M, S/o Mariyappa, No 81/1, Near Anganavadi, Chambenahalli, Bangalore-562125 as security by way of mortgage by deposit of title deeds for the purpose of securing a loan. It is represented to us by him that the original of his title deed(s), Prior sale deed registered as Document No. 320/1955-56 pages No 167-168, Volume No 762 at Anekal Sub Registrar office has been lost by Devaraju M. Therefore, we propose to accept the certified copy of the said document in respect of the above property for deposit. If anyone has any claim whatsoever over the said property he/she may prefer the same before us within thirty days, from the date of this publication, failing which it will be taken that there is no subsisting encumbrance on the said property."

Federal Bank Ltd.
Br. Chambenahalli, Sy No 88,
Sarjapura Road, Next to ISME college,
Bangalore - 562125
Dated this the 23rd day October 2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from **MR. K. B. PRASHANTHA,** S/o Mr. K. H. Balarame Gowda, Residing at No.752, Nethaji Road, 11th Cross, 8th Main, Hoysala Nagar, R.M. Nagar, Bangalore-560016.

Any person having any objection regarding the said sale transaction, may contact the undersigned advocate with relevant documents within 10 days from the date of this publication failing which it shall be deemed that there is no objection of any nature and my client will complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Residential house built on Property bearing New Municipal No.02/1,Khatha No.261/3/523, BBMP Sl.No.1711 (formerly being south Eastern Portion of Site bearing No.2, Khatha No.261/3/523, earlier having House List Khatha No.261/3, Property No.523), Situated at Kalkere Village, K. R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, presently coming under the administrative limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike (BBMP), in Ward No.26, measuring East to West 30 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 1200 Sq.ft., and bounded on: East by : Site bearing No.3, West by : Remaining Portion of Site No.2, North by : Remaining Portion of Site No.2, South by : 25 Feet Road, Consisting of RCC roofed residential house measuring 10 Squares on the Ground Floor and 11 Squares on the First Floor having vitrified flooring with all basic amenities.

Sd/- **K.R.Bharadwaj & Associates,**
Advocates,
No.32, 1st Floor, Sukh Sagar Cross Road,
3rd Cross, 3rd Main K.K. Halli,
Bangalore -560084. Ph. 9844011141
E.mail : krblawassociates@gmail.com

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client **Mr. D. Thanikesan,** S/o. Mr. K. N. D. Mudhaliyar, residing at "GNANA ILLAM", No. 28, 2nd Cross, Srinivasa Reddy Layout, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-560016, the owner of property bearing Site No. 28, BBMP Khatha No. 111/96/95/1/28, measuring East to West: 40 Feet and North to South: 30 Feet, totally measuring 1200 Square Feet, situated at Ramamurthy Nagar, Kowdenahalli Dhakhale, Krishnarajapuram Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, now coming under the limits of BBMP of Horamavu Sub-Division, Ramamurthy Nagar Ward, Bangalore has lost the original Sale Deed dated 10.01.1980 (Document No. 5577/1979-80) while in transit. In spite of his best efforts, he could not found out the said original Sale Deed.

I hereby call upon that whoever is in possession of the said Original Sale Deed is hereby requested to deliver to my office within **5 working days,** failing which my client shall be constrained to proceed with the certified copy of the said Sale Deed for his further transaction.

H. NAGESH, Advocate,
No. 46, 2nd Main, Opposite to Anand Co-Operative Bank, Sheshadripuram, Bangalore – 20. Mob: 9902201565

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from **MRS. SUJATHA. M,** W/o Mr. S. M. Chel Kuber, Residing at No.112/1A, 1st Floor, 5th Main Road, 7th Cross Road, Chamarajapete, Bangalore-560018.

Any person having any objection regarding the said sale transaction, may contact the undersigned advocate with relevant documents within 10 days from the date of this publication failing which it shall be deemed that there is no objection of any nature and my client will complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the BDA Site No.346 (formed in Sy.No.32 of Chellekere Village), Situated at 19th Block, Arkavathi Layout, Bangalore formed by Bangalore Development Authority, measuring East to West 6.00 Mtrs., and North to South 9.00 Mtrs., totally measuring 54.00 Sq.Mtrs., and bounded on: East by : Site No.345, West by : Site No.347, North by : Site No.413, South by : Road.

Sd/- **K.R.Bharadwaj & Associates,**
Advocates,
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Bangalore -560084. Ph. 9844011141
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client Sri G.R. VASUKUMAR S/o Sri Rudraiah, aged about 72 years, residing at Vinayaka Clinic, Bestara Beedhi, Yelahanka old Town, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064, intends to purchase schedule property from SMT. V. NAGARATHNAMMA W/o Late K. Ashwathanarayana, aged about 67 years and SRI PANEESH KUMAR .A.N., SMT. SHOBHA .S.G, KUM.POSHIKA.P.S and CHOWDAMBIKA all are residing at No.18, Chikkabommasandra, Near Malnad Hotel, Yelahanka New Town, Bangalore-560065. Any person/persons having any objections or claiming any right, title or interest in the said property are required to lodge the same with undersigned along with documentary evidence within 7 days from this date, failing which my client shall proceed with the transaction free from all encumbrances.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY:

All that piece and parcel of Immovable site bearing No.212, BBMP PID No.140/212, situated at Bestara Beedhi, Yelahanka old Town, Yelahanka, Bangalore-560064, presently comes under the jurisdiction of BBMP, Ward No.2, measuring East to West 15 feet and North to South 39.6+27/2 feet in all measuring 499.6 Sqft., site, along with electric and water facilitated A.C Sheet roofing, Red oxide flooring 4 square building.

And bounded as follows:- East by: Ramakka's Property, West by: G.R.Vasukumar's Property North by: Muniyappa's Property, South by: Road.

G.R. SRINIVASA, Advocate
#728, 41st Cross, E.S.I Hospital Main Road, 3rd Block, Rajajinagara, Bangalore-560010. M: 95352 89666. Date- 23-10-2020

IN THE COURT OF THE HON'BLE 28TH ADDL. CHIEF METROPOLITAN MAGISTRATE AT BENGALURU
Cr. Mis. No. 3395/2020

BETWEEN: 1) Pradeep Shankaranand Kanagali S/o. Shankaranand, Aged about 58 years, **2) Manisha Pradeep Kanagali,** W/o. Pradep Shankaranand Kanagali, Aged about 53 years, **3) Vihan Pradeep Kanagali,** S/o. Pradeep Shankaranand Kanagali, Aged about 23 years, All residing at No. 202, Blue Moon Apartments, 14th Road, Bandra West, Mumbai-400 050. ...PETITIONERS

AND : The Register of Birth and Death Office of the Commissioner, BBMP, N.R. Square, Bengaluru-560001.
...RESPONDENT

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Petitioners have filed the above petition seeking for an order to get the Death Certificate **ROHIL PRADEEP KANAGALI** S/o. Pradeep Shankaranand Kanagali, died on 6-04-2011 at Room **No. 114, M.S. Ramaiah Boys Hostel, M.S.R. Nagar, Bengaluru.** The petitioners are in need of Death certificate to encash the PPF Account in State Bank of India.

Any person interested and having any objection in this matter, may appear before the above court at 11.00 a.m. **on 20-11-2020** to which date the case is posted for hearing.

Given under my hand and the seal of the Court this 21st day of October 2020.

By order of the Court, Sheristedar, XXVIII A.C.M.M. Court, Bengaluru.
Advocate for petitioner: **Syed Aleemulla,** Advocate
MOB : 9036376521

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that our client intends to purchase House No.1 of 'L' type, bearing New BBMP No.L-1(PID No.74-12-L-1) measuring East to West 12.06 meters and North to South 18.60 meters in all measuring 224 Sq.mtrs, along with building consisting of Stilt Floor measuring 1350 Sq.ft, Ground Floor measuring 976.25 Sq.ft built up area, First Floor 791.75 Sq.ft. built up area, Second Floor measuring 895.25 Sq.ft built up area and Terrace measuring 182.25 built up area, **situated at Kodihalli, Sector XI in Jeevan Bhimanagar, Bangalore** and bounded on the:-

East by : House No.L2 in Sector XI,
West by : Road,
North by : House No.L82 in Sector XI,
South by: Road.

From its present owners **Mr. S.A. Murali,** son of late Mr. S.R. Anjaneyalu, **Mrs. S.M. Jayanthi** wife of Mr. S.A. Murali and **Mr. S.M Yadav** son of Mr. S.A. Murali.

Persons having any right over the said property may lodge their objections / claims with documentary evidence within **7 days** from the date of this publication, to the undersigned.

K.V. Narendra & Associates,
Advocates
No.557, 2nd Floor, 9th A Main,
1st stage, Indiranagar
Bangalore - 560 038
Ph: 9591067392/9945109229

PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby informed that my client intends to purchase the schedule property from its owners **1) Sri. SUBRAMANI** S/o. Late. Murugesh, **2) Smt. ASHA. S,** D/o. Subramani, **3) Sri. ELANGOVAN V.S,** S/o. Sri. Subramani, **4) Sri. V.S. KARTHIK,** S/o. Subramani.

Anyone having any claim, share or interest in the schedule property shall lodge their claims with Original documents with the undersigned within 15 days from the date of publication of this notice. If no claims are lodged within **15 days** of time it is presumed that Sri. Subramani & Others are having valid & marketable title to the schedule property and my client will proceed with the purchase of schedule property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential immovable vacant property bearing Site No. 24, Khatha No. 168/25/3, **Situated at GEDDALAHALLI VILLAGE, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore,** Presently falls under BBMP Ward No. 25, Horamavu, Bangalore, the same being:

BOUNDED as follows :

East by : Private Property,
West by : Road,
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(T.M.Mini is Zonal Head, Bank of Baroda - Bengaluru Zone)

The state forest department has registered a case against Kannada actor Dhanveer for going on a night safari in Bandipur Tiger Reserve, in violation of rules

CM TO GO ON CAMPAIGN TRAIL POST VIJAYADASHAMI

He did not have plans to visit constituencies earlier due to age, Covid factor; Bypolls crucial to Yediyurappa in asserting his leadership

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FOR the first time since the campaigning started for the Assembly bypolls, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa will hit the road to seek votes for party candidates at Rajarajeshwarinagar and Sira Assembly constituencies. He will visit the two constituencies during the last few days of campaigning, party sources told *The New Sunday Express*.

With the polling on November 3, leaders from all parties, including JDS partiarch H D Deve Gowda, KPCC president D K Shivakumar, former CM Siddaramiah and leaders have done their rounds of these constituencies. The CM, who was busy till now, will visit the constituencies and campaign for party candidates, Dr Rajesh Gowda at Sira and Munirathna in RR Nagar.

Senior BJP leader and MLC Ravi Kumar told *The New Sunday Express* that the chief minister will visit Sira and take part in a roadshow. He is expected to talk about water and housing issues along with the Golla Board which was announced by him before the poll dates were announced. The CM will also canvass in RR Nagar. "The CM has to attend to the Jamboo Savaari in Mysuru on Monday. He is visiting Shivamogga on Sunday. After his return, he will visit both the constituencies," sources from the Chief Minister's Office said.

On Saturday, he went to Tumakuru to campaign for the BJP candidate contesting the South-East Graduates' Constituency election.

Earlier, the CM did not have plans to visit these constituencies due to Covid and his age factor. There was a proposal to address the rallies virtually, BJP sources said. Though the outcome of elections will not have any impact on the government, these bypolls are important for the CM to reassert his leadership. The CM has expressed the confidence of winning both the seats.

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa leaves his office in Bengaluru on Saturday | EXPRESS

BATTLE HEATS UP

KPCC president D K Shivakumar campaigns for Congress candidate H Kusuma in RR Nagar on Saturday | EXPRESS

Vijayendra makes surprise visit to Siddaganga Mutt

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AMID the hectic campaigning for the Sira Assembly bypoll, Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa's son and BJP Karnataka vice-president B Y Vijayendra took time off to call on Siddalinga Swamiji of Siddaganga Mutt here on Saturday. "It was an unscheduled visit. They held a tête-à-tête for some time", informed a source.

In a tweet, Vijayendra too termed it was a routine visit on account of Dasara festival to seek the blessings of the seer. Interestingly, he has also been calling on the religious heads of various communities in Sira Assembly constituency. However, sources denied that the visits had anything to do with a possible change of guard.

"Vijayendra's visit to the mutt is in no way linked to some party leaders speculating about a change of guard. The BJP will let the CM complete his tenure", the source claimed. But his detractors see the CM working overtime and a dashing off to flood-affected areas in north Karnataka and also in Bengaluru on Saturday, as an attempt to prove himself as 'fit and fine'.

Interestingly, the CM took part in a campaign meeting for the South East Graduate's Council constituency held here on Saturday evening and returned to Bengaluru. He, however, did not visit the Siddaganga Mutt. Union Minister D V Sadananda Gowda campaigned for the Council candidate Chidananda M Gowda.

Meanwhile, Congress MLC B K Hariprasad claimed that the BJP high command will remove Yediyurappa from the CM's post regardless of the outcome of bypolls. "He may be accommodated in the 'margadarshak mandal' of the party", he said. About 30 BJP MLAs are preparing to quit the party, he contended.

NOW, NIKHIL HITS THE ROAD IN SIRA

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Campaigning is hotting up for the bypoll in Sira assembly constituency and the latest to enter the arena from JDS is Nikhil Kumaraswamy. After his grandfather and JDS patriarch H D Deve Gowda gave a booster shot to the party campaign in Sira and his cousin Prajwal Revanna actively canvassed for votes, it was the turn of Nikhil, son of former CM H D Kumaraswamy and JDS Youth wing president, to campaign for party candidate Ammajamma. This is his first major political outing since his marriage in April.

On Saturday, he campaigned in the villages of Kallambella Hobli and also at Togaragunte after taking the blessings of Kunchatiga Vokkaliga religious head, Sri Nanjavadhuta, at Spatikapuri Gurugunda Brahmeshwara Mutt at Pattanayakanahalli.

When B Sathyanarayana who represented this constituency passed away in August, Nikhil had accompanied Deve Gowda to attend the last rites.

Meanwhile, JDS is leaving no stone unturned to retain the seat. While Prajwal took out a bike rally on Thursday, Gowda who is camping here has taken a two-day festival break after addressing the minorities meeting on Friday night.

In the 2019 Lok Sabha elections, Nikhil lost to Sumalatha Ambareesh from Mandya constituency. Also a Kannada film actor, Nikhil made his debut in 2016 through a bilingual film titled Jaguar. He had also acted in the Kannada movie Kurukshetra that was produced by the RR Nagar BJP candidate Muniratna.

Nikhil Kumaraswamy campaigns in Sira on Saturday | EXPRESS

CT Ravi heads to Bihar for 'learning experience'

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BJP National General Secretary and State Tourism Minister CT Ravi will campaign for party candidates in Bihar next week, for three days, starting October 27. Ravi said that while he has not been assigned any specific role for the elections, he is going there to gain experience.

Ever since he was appointed National General Secretary, Ravi has been frequenting Delhi, Tamil Nadu and Kerala. Speaking to *The New Sunday Express*, Ravi said he was told to visit Bihar by party leaders in the national capital.

"No specific responsibility has been given. I will be visiting Bihar just for the experience," he said. Ravi will be attending campaigns and party meetings while there. "This is for the first time I will be present for Bihar campaigning. It will be a very different experience for me. I'm hoping to learn some things there and adopt those practices here in South India," he said.

Meanwhile, BJP Yuva Morcha National President and Bengaluru South MP Tejasvi Surya is also campaigning in Bihar for two days.

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C T Ravi, BJP National General Secretary

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Walkathon to demand ST status for Kurubas to kick off on Jan 15

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NIRANJANANDA Puri Swamy of Kaginele Kanaka Gurupeet will hit the streets and go on a padayatra from Kaginele to Bengaluru from January 15 demanding the Scheduled Tribe status to the Kuruba community.

Addressing a meeting of the community held at Belludi Mutt of the Kaginele Kanaka Gurupeet, he said, "It is our right to get ST status for the Kuruba community and the Mutt will urge all its community people from across the state to arrive in large numbers for the walk from January 15."

He directed Rural Development Minister **K S Eshwarappa** to mediate between the community people and the government to ensure that the state sends the recommendation to the central government and gets the constitutional approval.

He said that conventions will be held at Davangere, Kalaburgi, Bagalkot and Mysuru to sensitise Kuruba community people about the importance of ST status. On November 8, a women's convention will be held at Kaginele Kanaka Gurupeet. The community that has a sizable population should be given the reservation.

A mega rally will be held in Bengaluru on February 7, he said.

Cong leaders to visit flood-hit N-K

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AFTER Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa's aerial survey of flood-hit districts, senior Congress leaders too have started visiting villages that have been ravaged by floods. They will do rounds of areas in North Karnataka to get first-hand information on the extent of damage caused by floods and to assess the relief work taken up by authorities.

Congress Legislature Party leader Siddaramaiah, Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee working president Eshwar Khandre and other senior leaders will visit flood-affected areas in Bidar, Kalaburagi and Yadgir on Sunday and Monday.

Party sources said that the leaders will interact with local people to learn about issues they are facing and the assistance they have received from the government.

Heavy rains and release of water into Bhima river from dams in neighbouring Maharashtra caused flooding in North Karnataka districts, damaging standing crops in thousands of hectares. The government had to seek the assistance of the Army and NDRF personnel to rescue people. Now, as water level in Bhima river is receding, people are returning to their houses. Many relief centres that were opened by the local authorities are being closed.

The Congress had accused the administration of not doing enough to help people in flood-hit areas and had slammed the government for not taking its suggestions on preventive measures seriously.

During the two-day visit, senior Congress leaders will get information that will help them put pressure on the government to take appropriate measures to help the flood-hit people. The government, however, has claimed that all necessary assistance is being provided to people.

Congress leaders will assess flood damage in parts of North Karnataka over the next two days | EXPRESS

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> Sources

ON HOLD

Covid, floods and poll shadow over Rajyotsava awards ceremony

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

THE Kannada Rajyotsava awards ceremony, scheduled to be held on November 1, is likely to be postponed. The awards will be given next year along with those for 2021.

This year, its 65th year of Kannada Rajyotsava, 65 dignitaries were to be awarded. The awardees will have to be over 60 years of age, barring the sports category. The Kannada and Culture Department received more than 1,500 applications for the awards. A committee formed for the purpose has shortlisted 130 names. The CM along with other cabinet ministers including Kannada and Culture Minister C T Ravi will finalise 65 names for the award.

Sources from the government said that this year the annual Rajyotsava awards cannot be organised for various reasons. The State is going for bypolls and the government may not be able to conduct the event due to the code of conduct. Also, the CM is said to be not keen on conducting the ceremony now as half the state, especially North Karnataka, is facing floods. This apart, the Covid-19 pandemic is stated to be another reason. And since the awardees will be senior citizens, the government feels it is not right to expose them to the risk of Covid-19.

In 2008-09, when Yediyurappa was Chief Minister, Rajyotsava awards were not announced, citing heavy floods. But in the subsequent year, awards were announced and given for both the years. In 2018 too, when H D Kumaraswamy was Chief Minister, there were bypolls at Jamkhandi and Ramanagara along with the Lok Sabha bypolls in Bellary, Mandya and Shimoga. The ceremony was postponed but held in the same month.

Speaking to *The New Sunday Express*, minister Ravi said they are discussing whether to go ahead with the ceremony or just announce the names of the awardees. "We will have a meeting on October 27 and take a decision," he added.

Chief Electoral Officer Sanjiv Kumar said the State government has asked for exemption from the Election Commission of India. The ECI is yet to reply.

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> CT Ravi, State Tourism Minister

CM's media adviser declines award

Chief Minister B S Yediyurappa's media adviser Mahadev Prakash has declined the Kannada Rajyotsava award for this year. In a statement, Mahadev Prakash said that he has been in the media for 46 years. "I have learnt that the CM has considered my name for the Rajyotsava award for this year. But I am holding the post of media adviser at the CM's office. Though my name was considered on the basis of my experience, it would send a wrong message in public. One should not consider this as arrogance. I thank the CM and humbly decline the award," he said. He also stated that he did not lobby for the award.

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ಕಾ ಮತ್ತು ಪಾ ಗ್ರಾಮೀಣ ವಿಭಾಗ, ಹುವಿಸಕಂನಿ., ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ.

ಡಿಐಪಿಆರ್/ಬೆಳಗಾವಿ/682/ಮಣಿಪಾಲ್/2020–21

ಕೋವಿಡ್-19. ಆತಂಕ ಬೇಡ; ಮುನ್ನೆಚ್ಚರಿಕೆ ಇರಲಿ.
ಮಾಸ್ಕ್ ಧರಿಸಿ | 6 ಅಡಿ ದೈಹಿಕ ಅಂತರ ಪಾಲಿಸಿ | ಕೈಗಳ ಸ್ವಚ್ಛತೆ ಕಾಪಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಿ

KARNATAKA ROAD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka undertaking)

No. KRDCL/EE/Shivamogga/Toll Collection/2020-21/156 Date: 20/10/2020

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Work of Collection of User fee from Toll plazas near Kurki Village and Hanne Village on Davanagere-Santhebennur-Chennagiri-Birur road in SH-76 road stretch length 105.63 Km is awarded to Sri.N.C.Ravimokshith M/s Bharathi Constructions Hassan. The official notification for Collection of User fee is published in Karnataka Gazette Notification No.PWD/E-138/EAP/2020, Bengaluru dated:15-10-2020. It is brought to the notice of the Public, that the agency will be commencing Collection of User fee from 26-10-2020 for different types of vehicles at the rates at the specified below:

Davanagere to Chennagiri (Km 0.00-Km 53.65)

Sl No	Category of Vehicle	Toll Rate for single trip (in Rs)	Toll rate for Maximum 2way journeys (in Rs)	Monthly Pass (in Rs)
1	Car, Jeep, Van or Light Motor Vehicle	35.0	50.0	1145.0
2	Light Commercial Vehicle, light Goods Vehicle or Mini Bus	55.0	85.0	1845.0
3	Bus or Commercial Vehicle (Two axle)	115.0	175.0	3870.0
4	Bus or Commercial Vehicle (Three axle)	120.0	175.0	3940.0
5	Heavy Construction Machinery (HCM) or Earth Moving Equipment (EME) or Multi Axle Vehicle (MAV) (four or six axles)	180.0	275.0	6065.0
6	Over-sized vehicles (seven or more axles)	220.0	330.0	7385.0

Chennagiri to Beeruru (Km 53.65-Km 105.63)

Sl No	Category of Vehicle	Toll Rate for single trip (in Rs)	Toll rate for Maximum 2way journeys (in Rs)	Monthly Pass (in Rs)
1	Car, Jeep, Van or Light Motor Vehicle	35.0	50.0	1105.0
2	Light Commercial Vehicle, light Goods Vehicle or Mini Bus	55.0	80.0	1790.0
3	Bus or Commercial Vehicle (Two axle)	110.0	170.0	3745.0
4	Bus or Commercial Vehicle (Three axle)	115.0	170.0	3815.0
5	Heavy Construction Machinery (HCM) or Earth Moving Equipment (EME) or Multi Axle Vehicle (MAV) (four or six axles)	175.0	265.0	5875.0
6	Over-sized vehicles (seven or more axles)	215.0	320.0	7155.0

The rate of monthly pass for local motorized traffic is Rs.210/- (Rupees Two Hundred Ten Only) for the year 2020-21 whcih is subject to revision every year as per the provision.

Sd/-
Executive Engineer
KRDCL Project Office,
Shivamogga.

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Chola CHOLAMANDALAM INVESTMENT AND FINANCE COMPANY LIMITED

Corporate Office: 1st Floor, 'Dare House', No.2, N.S.C. Bose Road, Chennai-600 001
Branch Office: Municipal No.45, (Old Nos. 45& 45/1), Second Floor, Lalbagh Road, Bangalore - 560 027.

POSSESSION NOTICE Under Rule 8 (1)

WHEREAS the undersigned being the Authorised Officer of M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited ,under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 hereinafter called the Act and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13[12] read with Rules 9 of the Security Interest [Enforcement] Rules, 2002 issued demand notices calling upon the borrowers, whose names have been indicated in Column [B] below on dates specified in Column [C] to repay the outstanding amount indicated in Column [D] below with interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.
The borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers in particular and the Public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the properties mortgaged with the Company described in Column [E] herein below on the respective dates mentioned in Column [F] in exercise of the powers conferred on him under Section 13[4] of the Act read with Rule 9 of the Rules made there under.
The borrowers in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the properties mentioned in Column [E] below and any such dealings will be subject to the charge of M/s. Cholamandalam Investment And Finance Company Limited for an amount mentioned in Column [D] along with interest and other charges.
Under section 13 [8] of the Securitisation Act, the borrowers can redeem the secured asset by payment of the entire outstanding including all costs, charges and expenses before notification of sale.

SL NO.	NAME AND ADDRESS OF BORROWER & LOAN ACCOUNT NUMBER	DATE OF DEMAND NOTICE	OUTSTANDING AMOUNT	DETAILS OF PROPERTY POSSESSED	DATE OF POSSESSION
A	B	C	D	E	F
1.	**Loan No. X0HEBAN00001405292 1. RAJENDRAN K 2. DEEPAKRAJ R** Both residing at : Amman Garden, Daya Mk Vivarta Magan Appartment, Binny Bande, Doddakmmanahalli, Bangalore-560076	31.07.2020	Rs.97,66,161.45 as on 28.02.2020	All that piece and parcel of "2BHK" Residential Flat bearing No.E-4 measuring 1403 Sq.ft,. In Third Floor In VIV Block and having 616 Sq.ft Undivided share In land bearing Sy.No.20/15 And 3BHK Flat Bearing No.A-4 Measuring 1640 Sq.ft In Third Floor In VIV Block and having 720 Sq.ft of undivided share in land bearing Sy.No.20/15 situated at Kammanahalli Village, Begin Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently within the limits of BBMP.	23-10-2020
2.	**Loan No. X0HEBAN00001958008 1. ANAND R 2. NANDINI G,** Both residing at : No 44/45, 3rd Cross, BOB Colony, Puttenahalli, JP Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore-560078. **3. M/s. MUNESHWARA SILKS AND SAREES,** No 44 & 45, 3rd Cross, 5th Main, BOB Layout, JP Nagar, 7th Phase, Bangalore -560078.	31.07.2020	Rs.62,26,122.62 as on 28.02.2020	All that piece and parcel of the property bearing site No.44 and 45, Formes In Converted Sy.No. 36/3B, situated at Puttenahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli Bangalore. Comes under the Jurisdication of BBMP.	23-10-2020

Date : 25.10.2020
Place: Bangalore

AUTHORISED OFFICER
M/s. Cholamandalam Investment and Finance Company Limited

CAUVERY NEERAVARI NIGAMA LIMITED

(A Government of Karnataka undertaking)
Office of the Executive Engineer, Kabini Reservoir Division,
Kabini Colony, H. D. Kote Tq

Brief short term tender notification No: 07/ 2020-21 Dated: 23-10-2020

(Through e-procurement portal, two cover system)

Item rate tender is invited on e-procurement by the Executive Engineer, Kabini Reservoir Division, Kabini Colony, H.D Kote Tq, Mysore Dist, on behalf of Managing Director, Cauvery Neeravari Nigama Ltd., Bangalore, from Eligible contractors of PWD Class-1 / contractors of any state/ central government/ Agencies/ Public sector organization enrolled in category 1-A of CNNL. If not enrolled in CNNL, the successful bidder to be enrolled before entering into agreement for the work mentioned here under.

Sl No	Name of work	Estimate amount in lakh	EMD in	Tender processing fee in	Stipulated time of completion	Class of contractors
1	Providing cement concrete road to approach road of Kabini dam (from Kollegowdanahalli circle to Bidarahally circle) and Construction of Bridge across river Kabini at downstream of Kabini Dam.	4363.31	43,64,000	Refer as per e-procurement portal	18 months (including monsoon)	PWD Class 1/State central organisation and category 1A of CNNL

1	Last Date & Time for Tender Queries/Clarifications :	**28-10-2020** upto**17:00hrs**
2	Date, time & place of Pre bid meeting	**29-10-2020 at 11:00 hrs** Office of the Chief Engineer Irrigation South, Public offices Building, New Sayaji Roa Road, Mysore 570024.
3	Last date and time for receipt of completed tender	**05-11-2020 upto 16:00 hrs**
4	Date and time of opening of technical bid	**06-11-2020 at 17:00 hrs**
5	Date and time of financial bid	**17-11-2020 at 11:00 hrs or after approval of technical bids.**

Interested bidders/ Agencies can access **www.eproc.karnataka.gov.in** for more details.

Sd/- Executive Engineer, Kabini Reservoir Division,
Kabini Colony, H. D. Kote, Mysore District.

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Mysuru City Corporation, Mysuru

Executive Engineer (West) Office Sayyajirao Road, MCC Mysuru-570024.
E-mail: eewmccmys@gmail.com

No. MCC/EE(E&W)/TN-48/20202-21 Date : 22.10.2020

SHORT TERM E-TENDER NOTIFICATION OF MYSURU CITY CORPORATON PROJECT

(1) The Commissioner, Mysuru City Corporation invites the bid from eligible bidders through E-Procurement under KTPP act 1999-2000 **(2)** The bidders have to participate through online e-procurement only. The website for online bidding is **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in (3)** All the bid documents can be seen and obtained form **https://eproc.karnataka.gov.in (4)** The payment for EMD to be made through e-procurement only. **(5)** Tender documents and other details will be available for bidding on above website **(6)** Any information on Addendum / Corrigendum / Cancellation of tender can be seen in the above website. **(7)** Further details please contact Executive Engineer (west) section and Development Officer, Zone-1, MCC on Mobile Number : 9740024213 and 9448666380.

Name of the work	Implementation of Dedicated Cycle track for the India "Cycles4change" Challenge pilot project in the limits of Mysuru City Corporation, Mysuru	Estimate amount - 478.00 lakhs; EMD-7.20 Lakhs; Project duration- 30 days
Tender documents of tenders through e-portal	22.10.2020	11.00 am
Pre bid meeting	29.10.2020	11.00 A.M. Executive Engineer (west) Office Mysuru City Corporation Mysuru.
Last date and time for receipt of tenders through e-portal	07.11.2020	5.30 P.M
Time and date of opening of technical bid	09.11.2020	5.30 P.M

Sd/-
Executive Engineer (west)
Mysuru City Corporation
Mysuru

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PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my Client intends to purchase the below mentioned Schedule Property and accordingly my Client has negotiated for purchase of the schedule property from its Owner **Sri. T. S. Dillibabu** aged about 58 years, **Sri. T. S. Palani** aged about 56 years, **Smt. T. S. Rama** aged about 53 years, all are children of late Sri. T. N. Somasundaram and **Sri. Ramalingam** aged about 63 years, **Sri. Karthik** aged about 30 years and **Sri. Kiran** aged about 28 years (the said Sri. Ramalingam, Sri. Karthik and Sri. Kiran are Legal heirs of late Smt. Saraswathi D/o late Sri.T.N.Somasundaram) All are residing at No.79, 13th main road, H.A.L 2nd stage, Doopanahalli, Bangalore 08 who represent to my client that they are absolute Owners of the Schedule Property having acquired the same by way of registered Sale Deed dated 23.06.2006, which is executed by Bangalore Development Authority, Registered as document No.01724/2006-07, book I, stored in CD No.BDAD110, registered in the office of Additional District Registrar, Bangalore Urban District.
Therefore anyone having any manner of right, title interest or claim over the same or objecting to the sale, may lodge their objections/claims together with the documents evidencing the same, with the undersigned within **10 days** of the publication of this notice; failing which it will be deemed that the Schedule Property is free from all claims/ encumbrances whatsoever and my client will proceed with the purchase of the same.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being Vacant **site bearing No.11, 12th Block, 2nd stage,** situated at Nagarabhavi, a Layout formed by Bangalore Development Authority, presently comes under the limits of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, BBMP Katha No.6/B/11, measuring East to West : 9.15 Mtrs. and North to South : 12.10 Mtrs. in all measuring 110.71 sq. mtrs. and bounded as follows:
East by : Site No.10, **West by :** Site No.12,
North by : Site No.27, **South by :** Road.

Sd/- Sri. LAKSHMANA. M
M/s. SARALA LAW ASSOCIATES
Advocates, Office at "Justice Point", No.168, 3rd Floor, Pooja Complex, 1st Cross, Kilari Road, Bangalore- 560 053. PH. 98453 62357

North Eastern Karnataka Road Transport Corporation

Ballari Division, Ballari.

No.NEKT/BLR/TR/COMM/1006/2020-21 Date: 21.10.2020

E-Tender Notification No. 14/2020: (Through E-procurement)

Applications are invited through e-procurement from 18-10-2020 for selecting licensee to commercial stalls/open place at Ballari Central/Siruguppa/Tekkalakote Bus Stand coming under NEKRTC Ballari Division.

E-Quotation Notification No: 15/2020: (Through E-procurement)

Parking stand locating at celler space in Ballari City Bus Terminal is divided in 4 separate stands. In 1st Phase applications are invited only for Parking Stand No.1 (5512 sq ft) and Parking Stand No. 4 (5512 sq ft) for selection of licensee through e-procurement. For parking stand without Monthly License Fee e-quotation is called. Hence the bidder are instructed to bid their amount in the formate of PER Sqft BASIS ONLY and the corporation reserves the rights for selecting or rejecting the bid amount. As per the bid amount quoted in e-portal for per sq ft will be calculated to reserved sqft (i.e, 5512 sq ft) and then it will be calculated for fix the monthly licensee fee for parking stand,

Interested bidder can download complete notification from **www.cproc.karnataka.gov.in** and after reading and understanding the terms and conditions bidders can submit online application within **07-11-2020 at 17:00 hrs.** E-Tender will be opened on **10-11-2020**. For more details contact Divisional Traffic Officer, Ballari **(Mobile No, 77609 92152)** or e-portal.

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Sd/-
Divisional Controller,
NEKRTC, Ballari Division, Ballari.

STATE BANK OF INDIA

RETAIL ASSETS CENTRAL PROCESSING CENTRE (RACPC) – II, KORAMANGALA

Authorised Officer's Details:
Name: **Sri. K. Sreenath**
Chief Manager,
E-mail Id: maintracpc2.ban@sbi.co.in
Mobile No:+91 7338150888.
Land Line No. (Office): 080 -25943803

Address of the Branch:
No.12, 7th Main, 3rd Block,
Koramangala, Bangalore -560 034.
Tel: 080 -25943803,
Fax: 080 -25943800,
E mail: maintracpc2.ban@sbi.co.in

APPENDIX – IV A
[See proviso to Rule 8(6)]

E-AUCTION SALE ON 13.11.2020

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
(EXCLUDING MOVABLE ASSETS, IF ANY, LYING IN THE PREMISES)

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets (excluding movable assets, if any, lying thereon) under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) & Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and the below mentioned Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s) in particular that the below described immovable properties mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India and whose actual physical possession has been taken by the Authorized Officer of the Bank, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" basis on **13.11.2020** for recovery of loan dues to the State Bank of India from the aforesaid Borrower(s)/Mortgagor(s)as specifically mentioned hereunder against their names.
The Name and Address of the Borrower/Mortgagors/Guarantor, Outstanding dues, the reserve price, the earnest money deposit (EMD), bid increment and last date for submission of EMD along with KYC documents for the each property of the said Borrower/Mortgagors to be sold will be as under:

(1) Name & Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor	**Shri Vinay V.,** S/o Sri Vasudev, No.18, 16th Main, Srinagar, Bengaluru 560 050. **Also at:** (i) Flat No.FF-01, First Floor, **"Sri Sai Kamal Nivas"**, Near Shanimahatma Temple, Sy. No.58/5A, V P Khata No.690, Gubbalalu Village, Subramanyapura Post, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru -560061. **(ii) Office address:** M/s Oracle India Pvt Ltd, Oracle Technology Park, Bannerghatta Road, Bengaluru – 560 029.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.70,91,631/-** (Rupees Seventy Lakh Ninety One Thousand Six Hundred Thirty One Only) as on **21.10.2020** and further interest at contractual rate from **22.10.2020** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.,

Property No.	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit amount	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
1.	Rs.37,60,000/-	Rs.3,76,000/-	Rs. 40,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 13.11.2020	11.11.2020 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI-15627/EA/GWR/2020-21/11:
SCHEDULE –'A' PROPERTY: (ENTIRE PROPERTY)
All that piece and parcel of residential Immovable Property bearing Nos.9,10,23,24, formed in Sy. No.58/5A, duly converted by the Deputy Commissioner, Bengaluru District, Bengaluru vide Conversion Order No.BDIS.ALN/SR(S) 288/03-04 DT:15.11.2003, V P Khata No. 690,situated at GUBBALALU VILLAGE, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, presently within the limits of the Bruhat Bengaluru MahanagaraPalike Ward No. 184, Uttarahalli Sub Division, Bengaluru and the site measuring East to West: Northern Side 86.0 feet, Southern Side 86.6 feet and North to South: 60.0 feet and totally measuring 5190 sq. feet and bounded on the :East by : 30 feet Road, West by : 30 feet Road, North by: Site No.8 & 25, South by : Site No.11 & 22.
SCHEDULE - 'B' PROPERTY: 471.8 Square Feet of undivided share right, title, interest, claims whatsoever in the land of the Schedule -"A" Property.
SCHEDULE - 'C' PROPERTY: (Apartment Mortgaged to the Bank): All that piece and parcel of residential apartment bearing No.FF-01, 2BHK, bearing BBMP Khatha No.1449/747/58/5/9,10,23,24/FF-1, in the First Floor of the apartment building known as "SRI SAI KAMAL NIVAS", having super built up area of 1100sq feet with Vitrified tiles flooring, with all civic amenities and with right to use common areas, entrances, staircases, passages, corridors etc., provided in the Schedule "A" Property and standing in the name of Shri V Vinay S/o Shri Vasudeva vide Sale Deed Dated 22.02.2017 and registered as Document No.BSG-1-06992/2016-17 and CD No.BSGD307 on 22.02.2017 at the Office of the Senior Sub Registrar, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru and bounded on the : East by: Flat No. FF 04, West by: Open Space, North by: Open Space,South by: Flat No.FF-02.

(2)Name & Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor	**Shri Rakesh H,** S/o. Shri Honnappa, No.53, 4th Cross, 4th Main Road, BDA Layout, Nagarabhavi 2nd Stage, Bengaluru 560 072, **Also at: (i)** Flat No.FF 02, First Floor, **"Sri Sai Kamal Nivas"**, Sy. No.58/5A, V P Khata No.690, Gubbalalu Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, **(ii) Office address:** Project Manager, M/s Kelly Services India Pvt Ltd., KITR INTEL Implant Department, 12th Cross, Indiranagar, Bengaluru – 560 038.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.76,99,756/-** (Rupees Seventy Six Lakh Ninety Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty Six Only) as on **21.10.2020** and further interest at contractual rate from **22.10.2020** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.,

Property No.	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit amount	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
2	Rs.36,00,000/-	Rs.3,60,000/-	Rs. 40,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 13.11.2020	11.11.2020 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI-15627/EA/GWR/2020-21/12:
SCHEDULE –'A' PROPERTY: (ENTIRE PROPERTY): As mentioned above against Property No. 1
SCHEDULE –'B' PROPERTY: 471.8 Square Feet of undivided share right, title, interest, claims whatsoever in the land of the Schedule -"A" Property.
SCHEDULE –'C' PROPERTY: Apartment Mortgaged to the Bank): All that piece and parcel of residential apartment bearing Flat bearing No.FF-2, 2BHK, New BBMP Khatha No. 1450/FF-002/747/9-10-23-24, in the First Floor of the apartment building known as "SRI SAI KAMAL NIVAS", having super built up area of 1100 sq. feet with Vitrified tiles flooring, with all civic amenities and with right to use common areas, entrances, staircases, passages, corridors, etc., provided in the Schedule "A" Property and standing in the name of Shri Rakesh S/o. Shri Honnappa, vide Sale Deed Dated 14.12.2015 and registered as Document No. BSK-1-10832/2015-16 and CD No.BSKD334 on 15.12.2015 at the Office of the Senior Sub Registrar, Basavanagudi(Banashankari), Bengaluru and bounded on the : East by : Flat No FF-3, West by: Vacant Place, North by: Vacant Place, South by: Flat No.FF-1.

(3) Name & Address of the Borrower/Mortgagor	**Smt. Nethrayini S. P.,** W/o. Sri Kodanda Raman, No.73, 5th Cross, Muneswara Layout, K R Puram, Bengaluru 560 036, **Also at:** (i) Flat No.FF-03, First Floor, **"Sri Sai Kamal Nivas"**, Sy. No.58/5A, V P Khata No.690, Gubbalau Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, **(ii) Office address:** Process Specialist, M/s Cognizant Global Solutions Pvt. Ltd., Manyatha Embassy Tech Park, Rachenahalli, Nagavara, Bengaluru – 560 077.
Outstanding Dues for recovery of which property is being sold	**Rs.76,98,158/-** (Rupees Seventy Six Lakh Ninety Eight Thousand One Hundred Fifty Eight Only) as on **21.10.2020** and further interest at contractual rate from **22.10.2020** with incidental expenses, costs, charges etc.

Property No.	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit amount	Bid increment	Time & Date of Auction	Last day for submission of EMD along with KYC documents
3.	Rs.37,20,000/-	Rs.3,72,000/-	Rs. 40,000/-	11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on 13.11.2020	11.11.2020 up to 4.00 p.m

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

Tender No: SBI-15627/EA/GWR/2020-21/13:
SCHEDULE - 'A' PROPERTY (ENTIRE PROPERTY): As mentioned above against Property No. 1
SCHEDULE - 'B' PROPERTY: 471.8 Square Feet of undivided share right, title, interest, claims whatsoever in the land of the Schedule -"A" Property.
SCHEDULE - 'C' PROPERTY: (Apartment Mortgaged to the Bank): All that piece and parcel of residential apartment bearing Flat bearing No.FF-3, 2BHK, New BBMP Khatha No. 1451/FF-003/747/9-10-23-24, in the First Floor of the apartment building known as "SRI SAI KAMAL NIVAS", having super built up area of 1100 sq. feet with Vitrified tiles flooring, with all civic amenities and with right to use common areas, entrances, staircases, passages, corridors etc., provided in the Schedule "A" Property and standing in the name of Smt. Nethrayini W/o. Sri Kodanda Raman, vide Sale Deed Dated 14.12.2015 and registered as Document No. BSK-1-10823/2015-16 and CD No.BSKD334 on 15.12.2015 at the Office of the Senior Sub Registrar, Basavanagudi(Banashankari), Benglauru and bounded on the :East by: Open Space, West by : Flat No.FF – 2, North by: Open Space,South by: Flat No.FF-4

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the links provided by the Secured Creditor, State Bank of India, RACPC -II, Koramangala, Bengaluru, represented by its Authorised Officer, i.e., (1) www.sbi.co.in (2) www.tenders.gov.in and (3) https:// www.bankeauctions.com/Sbi.

Date: 23.10.2020
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/-
Authorised Officer
SBI, RACPC -II, Koramangala, Bengaluru.

A 28-year-old pregnant woman committed suicide in her house in Neladaranahalli near Peenya on Saturday, allegedly due to harassment from her husband and his parents. Roja R, of Hesaraghatta, had married Vikas, an employee at an MNC in Mysuru, a year ago

A day after the rain, people pick up pieces in at Dattatreya Nagar and Guruduttnagar in Bengaluru on Saturday | Meghana Sastry

AFTER FRIDAY RAIN, SMART CITY IMAGE OF BENGALURU SINKS

Weatherman predicts rain over city for the next 3 days; We're left with nothing: Residents

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BENGALURU'S image of a smart city seems to have gone under water. Unrelenting rain for the past few days, especially on Friday, has unleashed deluge and devastation, bringing the famed IT city to its knees and exposing the chinks in the civic armour. And there seems to be noting smart about rain-preparedness, say residents.

Bringing more gloom to an already gloomy scenario is the weatherman's prediction of more rain for the next three days across most parts of the state, including Bengaluru, Mandya and Tumakuru.

"We are left with nothing, all our clothes and food items have been washed away. We have nothing left to wear or to eat, what can the government do for us now? They should have taken all precautions earlier and stalled constructions initially when they got to know these are illegal layouts," said an agitated Gowramma, resident of Dattareya Layout, drying her leftover items and looking for food for her children. The residents of the Layout echo Gowramma. On Saturday, while some were busy drying their essentials and electronic items in the sun, others were looking at the sky, praying that there is no more rain and Friday's havoc does not repeat.

Same was the plight of the residents of Kumaraswamy Layout, where water had gushed into houses forcing people to look for safer places.

"The heavy rainfall of Friday night brought back memories when most parts of the areas were submerged after the Vrishabhavathi Valley overflowed and a portion of the retaining wall had collapsed. "We are keeping a close watch on the water level of V-valley and have decided not to venture out," said Mohan R, a resident of Kengeri.

Many roads have turned into sheets of water, and in many places, potholes made a comeback. In some areas, the newly laid roads have also given way, making matters worse for commuters on Saturday. In many places, the dividers of the roads have collapsed and the traffic police have erected barricades near the debris cautioning commuters. The government agencies and private vehicle service stations were also busy clearing stranded vehicles on roads to make commuting easy.

In areas where BBMP has drained out the rainwater, the pourakarmikas and gangmen have been pressed to clean out all garbage and construction debris. Health workers have also been assigned the task of fogging, sprinkling disinfectants and bleaching powder so that health problems are not reported.

BBMP Administrator Gaurav Gupta said makeshift relief camps have been set up but citizens were not keen to shift there. On Friday night, those who stayed in the ground floor, had shifted to the higher floors and came back when the water level receded. Even now they have been told that camps have been set up, but they have refused to move, he said.

SUNDAY INTERVIEW

Holidays to be cancelled, syllabus will remain same: DyCM

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FROM what went into deciding on a hybrid system of holding classes in colleges, to his ideas on syllabus and examinations for colleges, Deputy Chief Minister Dr Ashwath Narayan, who is also the Higher Education Minister, reveals all during an interview with The New Sunday Express. The minister announced a combination of online and offline classes for colleges, which will open for students on November 17. Here are the excerpts.

What went into deciding the hybrid system on classes for colleges?
It was keeping in mind the concerns of students. Each has his or her own preference. Because of Covid, many may opt for online classes, while many others don't think they learn properly online and prefer offline. We have given both options for students. Also, how practical classes can be conducted online? So, we have kept practical classes offline. The UGC has made provisions, while MHA too has allowed restarting of colleges. We are taking all precaution.

Parents are concerned about their wards contracting the virus...
The parents have to send a consent letter. Offline classes are only on a voluntary basis. We are ensuring that all precautionary measures are in place in colleges. Over that, it's the choice of the parents.

Who will take responsibility if positive cases are reported in colleges?
Students can be infected at any place, not necessarily at the college. At the institution, we would have taken all measures, physical distancing, thermal scanners, masking, sanitising, limited numbers, etc. At the same time, online classes too will be strengthened.

Is the syllabus going to be cut or the holidays?
Till now, we were on holidays. We are now going to cut down on vacation for online and offline classes. There will be no vacations. Classes will go on. The number of classes will be as per the calendar of events which is as per the syllabus. There will be exams and classes. The evaluation system can always be simplified, but let them learn properly. We have to serve the purpose of education. UGC has given calendar of events for exams and also issued broad guidelines. We will have coordination between universities.

Lecturers feel burdened with online and offline classes. Are they supporting your idea?
Lecturers are extremely happy as they have not stepped into a college for months. Many are already working online and now they have to physically come to colleges. The economy has opened up and activities are going on all around. Offline classes are more of a demand from students.

What about the Standard Operating Procedure?
First, we will start with degree, then gradually PUC, then SSLC and then others in lower classes. The SOP for exams will be similar to what we had for other examinations held recently. SOP formed for physical distancing will be followed for offline classes too.

How will you manage hostels? Will Capacity be increased?
We will see what will be the number, how many will enrol and how many want to come back. We will decide based on that. Whoever wants to come back, we are allowing them. So far, hostels were quarantine and COVID centres. College authorities have learnt how to manage the centres and they can adopt similar methods for offline classes. They will give safety the priority.

Stormwater drain work stinks, complain RR Nagar residents

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A boy recovers his bicycle from the muck | Meghana Sastry

FRIDAY'S rain took a toll on citizens of South Bengaluru, with homes and roads flooded and vehicles damaged. The residents blamed BBMP officials for not desilting drains leading to flooding.

With rain lashing for over five hours, from 1.30 pm to 7 pm, many localities in Rajarajeshwari Nagar were flooded up to 3 feet high. Water from the nearby Vrishabhavathi Valley entered people's homes, causing damage to their electrical appliances and furniture. It took hours for residents to bale out water.

The frustrated and angry residents blamed BBMP officials for not cleaning up the stormwater drain and removing encroachments along rajakaluves.

Hosakerehalli, Nayandahalli, Basavanagudi, Bommanahalli, Kengeri, Rajarajeshwarinagar, Bommanahalli and surrounding areas were the worst affected in Friday evening rain.

The residents shared pictures with BBMP engineers and joint commissioner, who helped in flushing out water in some areas. "But they attended to only some localities and ignored many others. A few hours after the rain, water level receded and flooding came down in the night. We could not step out of our house till Saturday morning," a resident said.

Residents of apartments at RK Colony in Bilekahalli on Bannerghatta Road have complained to the BBMP about overflowing drain since May, but officials have failed to address the issue. When sheets of rain fell on Friday evening, the existing problem only got worse, making the lives of residents miserable.

The residents alleged that the underground drainage system has not been done properly and even a short spell of rain causes flooding. Suresh Prakash, a resident, said, "When we complained about the drain, officials said that they had to desilt the lines, that go to Madiwala Lake. It has been six months since we complained, and the officials are yet to address the problem."

He said, "On Friday, the whole place started to stink and it was difficult to even breathe. We had to wait till rainwater to drain by itself. Children and adults are at a high risk of contracting diseases."

Smaller, newer areas getting flooded: BBMP

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NOWADAYS, flooding in the city is happening in smaller and newer areas unlike earlier, said officials from the BBMP and Karnataka State Natural Disaster Monitoring Centre (KSNDMC).

Earlier, most parts of Bengaluru would get flooded in one go and the water level would recede, but now new areas are experiencing flooding and get cut off from the city. Each year, new areas are being added to the list of flood-hit places, they said.

BBMP Administrator Gaurav Gupta told *The New Sunday Express* that last year, it was Bhadrappa Layout, but this year it is Dattatreya Layout. Areas that are getting flooded are unplanned revenue layouts.

Another senior BBMP official said it has been observed that the homes in these areas are lower than the level of stormwater drains, which is leading to havoc when it rains. These areas are also highly concretised, leading to poor absorption of rainwater into the ground. The drains too, are unable to hold large quantities of water as their inner layers are concretised.

Can't wind up mututal funds sans consent: HC

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IN a big relief to investors, the Karnataka High Court on Saturday declared the decision of Franklin Templeton Trustee Services Pvt Ltd to wind up six schemes cannot be implemented unless the consent of the unit-holders is obtained.

Declining to interfere in the decision of the trustees, taken on April 23, to wind up the schemes, a division bench of Chief Justice Abhay Shreeniwas Oka and Justice Ashok S Kinagi, however, restrained them from taking further steps on the basis of the notices, dated April 23 and May 28, till the consent of the unit holders by simple majority is obtained by the majority of the trustees. This should be done in accordance with Clause 15(c) of Regulation 18 of the Mutual Funds Regulation, to redeem the units prematurely, the court said.

Petitions were filed by unit holders Amrutha Garg in Delhi High Court, Areez Phirozsha Khambatta and his wife in the Gujarat HC, challenging the decision to wind up schemes. A criminal petition was filed by M/s Chennai Financial Markets and Accountability in the Madras HC against those who were allegedly responsible for winding up the schemes. On June 19, 2020, the Supreme Court transferred all petitions to the Karnataka High Court.

The petitioners contended that the decision to wind up the schemes on the pretext of the pandemic was illegal and that liquidity stress had arisen much earlier and SEBI had failed to discharge its duties. The trustees could have postponed the redemption of units to meet the exigency created, the petitioners' counsel said.

The trustees had contended that they had informed SEBI on April 20, that the net outflow between in the Oct-Dec 2019 quarter was Rs 8,697.53 crore and Rs 1,855.39 crore in the next quarter. The decision to wind up the schemes is not based only on what has happened due to Covid-19, but on prognosis. If freedom is not given to the trustees, they will have to sell the assets by making a distress sale which will affect the capacity of the FT-AMC to borrow, they said.

The bench directed SEBI to ensure that the forensic auditors submits their report at the earliest. After examining the report, the SEBI or its chairman should take a decision on taking action within six weeks, it added.

The bench also stayed the operation of the judgment and order for six weeks, to enable the trustees to approach the Supreme Court, on the condition that the respondents will not act upon the April 23 and May 20 notices. During this period, there will be no redemptions, and the AMC and Trustees should not make any borrowings and should not create liabilities for the schemes, it said.

The Karnataka HC is perhaps the first to hold one of the longest video conference hearing - 61 hours over 25 working days - the bench said in its 336-page judgment in the case.

Siddaramaiah politicising free vaccine issue: Ashwath

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"THE government has taken these decisions in the interest of people and to control Covid-19 from spreading," DyCM Ashwath Narayan said.

Once a Covid-19 vaccine is successfully tested and gets the official nod, the State Government will give it to the people free of cost, he reiterated.

To a question on why his party announced the free vaccine for the people of Bihar ahead of the elections there, he reasoned, "It has been done to take the people into confidence and give them hope of coming out of the crisis. But our opposition leader here (Siddaramaiah) is politicising the issue to gain some mileage out of it."

On Siddaramaiah's objection to reopening of degree colleges, Ashwath Narayan said, "He too was Chief Minister earlier and I didn't expect such a reaction from him. Colleges are being restarted after considering the prevailing conditions and by taking all the necessary safety precautions." There will be online and offline classes and students, in consultation with their parents, can opt for either of them, he stressed.

He claimed that the guidelines drawn up for the offline study system has been welcomed by students and parents. "The opposition parties, which never carried out any task effectively during their tenure in the past, should stop teaching us now, he said.

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Dr C N Ashwath Narayan, Deputy CM

BSY asks officials to clear encroachments near SWDs

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THE BBMP staff and NDRF personnel were deployed to clear the water and rescue people in these areas all through Friday night. Many other parts of Bengaluru, including RR Nagar, Kengeri, Bommanahalli and Bengaluru South, had also experienced heavy rainfall, but the water level had receded by late Friday night.

The CM also directed the officials to ensure that encroachments on storm water drains (SWDs) and bottlenecks are cleared and stern action is taken against encroachers. He assured that the eviction exercise will start soon. "This has happened at a time when work on improving SWDs is going on and encroachments are being cleared. All encroachments will be cleared mercilessly and officials must ensure such incidents do no recur," he said. He also directed officials to ensure that all measures are in place to tackle heavy rainfall.

Revenue Minister R Ashok said that work on clearing encroachments started from Saturday night and directed officials to construct concrete walls along SWDs so that water does not gush into houses. He also directed officials to ensure that all essential supplies are given to the affected families at their doorstep till they can get back to normal. Ashok pointed out that what happened in Hosakerehalli had never happened in the last 15 years. A report on the losses is also being prepared and officials are visiting people's homes, he added.

BBMP officials said survey of encroachments had commenced and they had identified some residences which had encroached upon the SWDs. Documents were being assessed before taking the final decision, they said.

Illegal tiger safari: After case filed, actor Dhanveer submits photos as evidence

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A day after Kannada actor Dhanveer was in news for going on a night safari in Bandipur Tiger Reserve in violation of rules, the forest department has registered a case against him.

He presented himself before the Range Forest Officer of Gopalaswamy Betta range and gave his statement. However the officials are not convinced and are doing a detailed investigation into the case.

Conservationists stated that the actor and the staffers who were inside the forest for safari beyond 6.30pm have violated National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA) guidelines, which state that all safaris should end before 6pm and no one should be inside the forest after that.

Dhanveer told RFO N P Naveen Kumar that he boarded the safari vehicle at 5 pm and had waited for long for a tiger sighting. They heard calls at 6.20 pm and sighted the tiger at 6.31 pm. He said they had reached the safari pick up point by 6.45 pm. The RFO said Dhanveer produced photographic evidence of his statements and he said that he was not on a night safari.

A senior forest department official said photographs submitted by Dhanveer cannot be believed as proof as they can be tampered with. Entry point timings will have to be cross-checked. The version of the driver and that of the others will have to be matched. The others seated in the vehicle along with Dhanveer will also be questioned. After which a thorough investigation will be done and the report will be submitted to the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife), for action.

The future is deterministic in principle, but not in practice

David Gilmour

GROSS DOMESTIC PAIN ON RISE OF BANGLADESH

THE THIRD EYE

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THERE was a time when mothers across India told children to eat up all on the plate with a terse 'don't waste food, people in Bangladesh are starving'. Even though two- thirds of Indians were not born when the sentiments were expressed, the image of Bangladesh as a poor neighbour has persisted, thanks to the electorally efficient usage of the effigy called 'Bangladeshi influx'.

Given the poll setting, the lament about Bangladesh overtaking India on per capita income — $ 1,888 vs $ 1,877 — is unsurprising. The bump up for Bangladesh is explained by deploying traditional theories of the Cobb-Douglas kind and/or plain arithmetic facts, that incomes in Bangladesh have risen as the growth in its population has declined over the past decade. The phenomenon in itself is transitory. Indeed, as per International Monetary Fund (IMF), India would overtake Bangladesh by next year. Even so, there is no denying that the episode has touched a raw nerve among aspiring Indians.

What is surprising is the level of contextual amnesia about the history of the India Story. Bangladesh is scarcely the first country cousin in the developing world to overtake India in per capita income. In the sixties, Korean officials visited India to know how we made steel. In 1960, as per the World Bank data, India's per capita income was $82 and that of South Korea roughly twice at $158. By 1980, Korea's per capita income was six times that of India — and at over $ 30,000 is 15 times in 2020. Thailand, which had a per capita income of $101 in 1960, now boasts of a per capita income of $7,300.

Consider Indonesia which has often been projected as the 'I' which could replace India in the BRICS group. In 1966, Indira Gandhi ascended to power in India and Suharto a year later in Indonesia. Both were strong, even authoritarian leaders. In 1970, Indonesia had a per capita income of roughly $80 and India was at $112. Half a century later, Indonesia boasts of a per capita income which is twice that of India at over $4,000. Take the case of war-ravaged Vietnam. Its per capita income in 1990 was less than a third of India at $95. In 2020, it boasts of a per capita income of $3,500.

A parade of poor policy choices through the decades, ranging from the persistence with state-led industrialisation to subscription to import substitution, stalled India's growth. If India had accepted the focus on competitive advantages listed by Sir Arthur Lewis, it would have been the steel maker of the world, an idea T T Krishnamachari had campaigned for. It could have been the hardware hub of the world if the Homi Bhabha Report of 1964 had not been buried under bureaucratic babel.

You could argue India suffered low growth in its first four decades, primarily due to the adoption of the 'government knows best' model of economic planning. Equally, India struggled to adapt and adopt pro-growth policies even after liberalisation. The China-India comparison has been narrated by this column often but bears repetition. In 1991, China's per capita income was at $333 and that of India was $303. Both countries were in the throes of opening up their economies. Nearly three decades later, in 2020, China's per capita income is five times that of India.

Arguably, China is the exception to the general theory of economic growth — propelled by the use of scale and complex financial matrix of costs and pricing. What about the Asian Tigers? Their exceptional growth stems from success in catalysing the factors of productivity to achieve global competitiveness and market share. South Korea leveraged technology, Thailand low-cost labour and Vietnam wooed investors from both capital intensive and labour intensive sectors to house production.

India was one of the leaders in the field of textiles and garments — the sector employed over 25 million directly and indirectly — with backward and forward linkages. At the beginning of the new millennium, the multi-fibre quota-based agreement was recast, opening it up. The opportunities and implications for India were enunciated in a number of studies, but it balked at making the necessary enabling changes. Bangladesh opened up to investments and eased conditions to capitalise on low labour costs. Such was the lure that many of the Indian star exporters shifted base to Bangladesh. By 2007, it was exporting more than India and continues to do so.

The gross domestic pain is less about the rise of Bangladesh and more about the inadequacies holding India back. India's economic growth is stalled by the politics of convenient conviction which affords parties to promote pro-growth policies when in power and railroad the very same when in opposition. As a result, meaningful generation next reforms arrive a generation later — whether it is the opening up of telecom, insurance, retail and, most recently, agri markets.

What distinguishes the successful is exceptional focus on catalysing policies to capitalise on opportunities. As the Bard said, "Who seeks, and will not take when once 'tis offered, shall never find it more." At the core of the per capita grief is an aspiration for a national consensus on economic growth, recognition of prosperity as the nucleus of national pride and security.

UNCULTURED WAY OF PROMOTING CULTURE

POINT OF VIEW

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PLANS to change Lutyen's Delhi into Modian Delhi struck most Indians as ludicrously boastful. The plans have not been given up. Leaders who want to be seen as historically important figures never give up plans to project themselves. Which explains why the Government of India is promoting "a holistic study of the origin and evolution of Indian culture over the past 12,000 years." A Committee was set up in 2016 by a minister called Mahesh Sharma, notorious for dimwitted remarks like "late president APJ Abdul Kalam was a great nationalist despite being a Muslim." This committee, of course, did nothing except drawing its stipends and allowances.

The new committee is also guaranteed to do nothing. This is not a prejudgment based on prejudice. It is a logical conclusion arising from the very composition of the Committee. It has 16 members, all drawn from one economic class (upper middle), one region (northern India) and one linguistic identity (Hindi, of course). With no one from the south, no woman, no Dalit and no minority representative, the committee is eminently incompetent to talk about Indian culture or even imagine 12,000 years of it.

What prompted our ruling patriots to pick 12,000 years as the desirable period? That was the starting period of civilisation as we know it. Homo sapiens settled in the subcontinent 12,000 years ago as the Ice Age ended and climate began to get relatively warm. By covering that entire period of time, the Committee wanted to ensure that no gaps were left for unpatriotic ideas to squeeze in.

But, the Committee failed to make an impression. In fact, the Committee was considered incompetent by a great many people. Ranking Carnatic musician T M Krishna, who is also an articulate intellectual, said the Committee's composition was "proof of the bigoted, casteist, patriarchal approach of the Government of India."

Such common sense voices were not likely to have much impact when power-wielders promote reactionary and communal sentiments in the guise of nationalism. Typical of their approach was the suggestion put forward by Manmohan Vaidya, an RSS deputy general secretary. According to him, "the true colour of Indian history is saffron and to bring about cultural changes we must rewrite history."

Yogi Adityanath wanted to rewrite history but circumstances forced him to give up the idea. Under duress, he has agreed to suffer the continued presence of Mughal creations like the Taj Mahal, but he re-named the Mughal museum near the Taj after Shivaji. Why Shivaji whose mother tongue was Marathi and whose only connection with Agra was that he was held prisoner there by Aurangzeb? (He escaped from captivity either by bribing the guards or, as some accounts put it, by smuggling himself out in large baskets said to contain sweets.)

Not surprisingly, Home Minister Amit Shah has been supporting the idea of re-writing history. "It is our responsibility to write our history," he said. That is a sound principle, but "write our history" usually means "write our version of history". Imagine Amit Shah writing the history of Gujarat and the Godhra train burning of 2002. Imagine the Modi Government writing the textbooks on Indian history for school syllabus across the country.

If that happens, it will not be something new in history. The wholesale genocide of Jews in Nazi Europe is sanitised in modern history books in Germany. Japanese cruelties during the Second World War created a separate chapter of its own in history. That was a horror story with Japanese historian Tanaka finding evidence of Japanese cannibalism on Indians and other Allied prisoners. These are not mentioned in Japanese textbooks.

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Actually what Indian culture needs is to be saved from the clutches of zealots. Long before Adityanath and Amit Shah arrived with a narrow-minded Hindutva agenda, Indian Culture had established a dynamic concept of life along the Indus river and the farming communities of Southern India. A highly developed civilisation was in full bloom in India by the end of the fourth millennium BCE. It is this civilisation that was maligned and misused by latter-day partisans who wanted to spread a communal agenda for political gains.

India is the birthplace of multiple cultures. These are referred to as Buddhism, Jainism, Hinduism, Sikhism and so on. To begin with, they were philosophical interpretations of life. Latter-day politicians turned them into religious platforms for the purpose of acquiring power. They seem to have won the day. But the loss to India's treasured value systems will be, in all likelihood, permanent.

WOMEN REDUCED TO JUST ANOTHER VOTE BANK

POWER & POLITICS

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"The way a powerful river breaks down even the strongest rocks and hills, in the same manner an intelligent woman destroys the fraud propagated by perverted ones. May we bow to such intelligent women." — *Rigveda*

THE path of power runs through the casuistry's cartography. In ancient India, women were placed on a pedestal — as the Yajurveda says, "O woman, you are as strong as earth and are on a very high pedestal. Protect the world from the path of vices and violence." Now it is she who has to be protected. It isn't surprising that women are at the bottom of the social pyramid. Only during the hypocrisy of electioneering do women become the Goddess of Voters. India saw a moral lockdown during the pandemic: between March 25 and May 31 this year, women made 1,477 complaints of domestic violence. The period saw more complaints than those received over the same period in the previous 10 years.

Women have been subject of both abuse and worship for time immemorial. West Bengal celebrates Kali as the supreme mother. The goddess cult represents the exalted woman — Saraswati who gives knowledge, Lakshmi who gives wealth, Durga who avenges wrongs. The Indian woman in reality is treated like a devdasi or a Surpanakha by politicians who render lip service from poll platforms. Even well-spoken Kamal Nath couldn't control his tongue; he mocked a former colleague as an item, though he apologized later. Nath symbolizes the misogynistic mindset of the political hierarchy.

Earlier, Azam Khan, a powerful Samajawadi Party minister, had attacked his political rival Jaya Prada with the crass claim that she wore "khakhi underwear". More recently, BJP general secretary Kailash Vijaiwargia made a sexist remark about Priyanka Gandhi by accusing the Congress of fielding "chocolatey faces".

In fact, deriding women challengers has become more pronounced after the increasing participation of women in almost every sector from business to politics. Senior Socialist leader Sharad Yadav has often courted trouble for his remarks on women, both inside and outside Parliament. During election campaigning, Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam campaigner Nanjil Sampath referred to Puducherry Lt Governor Kiran Bedi as someone who "we do not know is a man or woman." Yet, women have become yet another vote bank meant to be wooed during electoral battles only.

There is hardly a political leader who doesn't swear by treating female colleagues more than just better halves. Come elections, all of them would engage in competitive munificence to influence women voters. In Bihar where caste dominates the social hierarchy, Chief Minister Nitish Kumar has promised much more for the female voters. His state is hardly known for women's enterprise. Yet, the Bihar chief minister promised: "For women, a special scheme will be brought where enterprises set up by them will get loans up to 5 lakh with 50 per cent interest fee waived."

In fact, hardly an election — the Assembly or the Lok Sabha — happens where special benefits aren't announced to empower Indian women. Contrary to Hindu tradition, their empowerment is limited to only some monetary concessions, enactment of a few legislations to ensure their safety at home and outside and giving token representation in institutions of governance. They are rarely given the role of leaders. Even various Parliamentary Acts like Panchayat Raj have been misused by political patriarchy to dictate terms to their spouses. While the Act provides for a woman to become a sarpanch, it is their husbands or elder brothers who manage the panchayat.

As women, both from rural and urban, started asserting their rights and demanding their participation on merit, the male dominated Establishment created powerless institutions like the Women's Commission in both the states and at the Centre. They are given all perks of the power and junior minister status, but remain under the administrative control of ministries dominated by their male counterparts.

Almost all states have created a separate Ministry for Women's Welfare more as a favour and fealty. Their budgets are minimal. Neither the Commissions nor the ministries dealing with women's issues enjoy financial and administrative autonomy. Ironically, there are more welfare schemes in India aimed at helping the girl child or women than the number of medical colleges. Every chief minister and many Central ministers have announced freebies for girls varying from marriage grants to widow pensions. But, all they enjoy is fancy and glamorous names.

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Even in post-Independent India, women got place of pride only during religious celebrations or weddings since the scriptures mandate no ritual can be completed without female participation. Even after women acquired better skills and education, they were denied important offices where they could make a difference. For example, women officers occupy less than 12 per cent of Secretary level posts at the Centre. Female administrators rarely head important ministries like Defence, Finance, Home, Commerce, Personnel and Railways. Paradoxically, women revered as Lakshmi at home aren't trusted with leading financial institutions or banks. Of the 40 odd prominent public sector banks, hardly a couple are headed by women. Of the 800 universities, hardly a dozen have women vice-chancellors. There is just one female chief minister and L-G.

Such denial of real power has caused great harm to the women. Crimes against them have been growing endlessly. They are soft targets for social and digital media. According to a study, one in every seven tweets directed towards these women was problematic or abusive; one in every five tweets was sexist or misogynistic. The National Crime Records Bureau's latest report claims 88 rapes take place daily. The recent spurt in sexual assaults on girls in Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and West Bengal reflects total callousness for women safety. During 2019, over 4 lakh cases of crime against women were registered as against, 3.75 lakh a year earlier.

What explains the pendency of the over two decade-old Women's Reservation Bill except sexism? Caste-based regional parties predictably oppose it. Why are national parties silent? Is it because women are increasingly proving to be more successful when they have full freedom and authority? Leave alone giving women one-third seats in legislature, parties are unwilling to appoint even 25 per cent of women as party office bearers.

The fact that the country has, so far, had only one female prime minister and just about a dozen chief ministers during the past 70 years explains the vice-like male grip over the social order.

The Indian male of every shade and shape wants to confine women as deities inside the four walls of a temple with pomp and show to bow before her on a daily basis. Outside the realm of mythology, the woman remains a follower not a leader. The Rig Veda says about the Bharatiya nari, "May you be the empress and lead all."

For the Indian male, she is indeed an empress but, sadly, only of the kitchen and at home and not even a kitchen cabinet.

QUOTE CORNER

The government of Pakistan has signalled its commitment to complete the rest of its action plan. But it is clear even though Pakistan has made progress, it needs to do more. Pakistan cannot stop now. It needs to continue to carry out reforms.

Marcus Pleyer, FATF president

Ethiopia will not cave in to aggression of any kind. Ethiopians have never kneeled to obey their enemies, but to respect their friends. We won't do it today and in the future.

Abiy Ahmed, Ethiopian Prime Minister

The Russian government continues to engage in dangerous cyber activities aimed at the US and our allies. This administration will continue to aggressively defend the critical infrastructure from anyone attempting to disrupt it.

Steven Mnuchin, US Treasury Secretary

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MBBS seats are no joke

Competitive exams are inevitable when there is need to choose and select the best, be it for jobs or MBBS seats. It is quite impossible that everyone will get through and reach the highest point for the selection criteria. The truth that the ' survival and success' is a game of chance should be realised by all especially, students and their parents. There is no point always aiming at the best without adequately preparing for it. If one aspires to be a swimming champion and is still scared to go anywhere near water, he can swim. The same logic applies to all who want to become doctors but scared of taking on the qualifying examination for it.

S Nagarajan Iyer, Coimbatore

Migrants left in the lurch

Thousands of families migrating from Maharashtra to Bagalkot, Belagavi and Vijayapura in Karnataka to work in sugar fields during October-March is not new (Maha labourers flood border fields, raise Covid surge fears; Oct 24). Travelling by tractors without having tested for Covid at their home districts or at the entry levels in Karnataka make them vulnerable. However, sugar factory owners in Karnataka should see that these labourers undergo mandatory Covid tests. Even, the political rallies and protests are violating the norms of wearing masks and maintaining social distancing at public places. While migrant labourers take risk to earn living, politicians do it to occupy chairs of the administration. The common man, meanwhile, is made to feel the brunt of pandemic.

VN Subramanyam, Bengaluru

PDP chief must accept reality

The conditional patriotism by PDP chief and former CM Mehbooba Mufti who said her party would not be raising the Tricolour till Jammu and Kashmir's flag and Article 370 restored in the Union Territory. One wonder what would be the problem for Mehbooba Mufti by virtue of a loyal and true Indian to live in the new equation that Jammu and Kashmir is enjoying today as abrogation of Articles 370 and 35A in fact paved the way for more people friendly moves in the Kashmir Valley unlike before. The political parties of the Kashmir Valley must learn to live with the new reality. They cannot hope for the similar times that they had enjoyed before.

KV Raghuram, Wayanad

Politicians and hypocrisy

The great gusto with which the Bihar poll campaign are being conducted indicates that Indian political parties and their leaders have no real interest in people's health. On one hand, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and RJD's Tejashwi Yadav are holding several rallies in the state, PM Narendra Modi, CM's Nitish Kumar and Yogi Adityanath are also addressing large gatherings. Modi, himself, urged citizens to take all precautions to curb the spread of the coronavirus. Then why is he scheduled to address 12 rallies across Bihar? Is the PM unaware that physical distancing is impossible in rallies? Was his message for the nation a mere case of posturing?

B Ahsanullah, New Delhi

Follow uniform unlock rules

Though the Centre, in its unlock measures, had clearly mentioned that e-pass system should not be insisted by states, some like Tamil Nadu and AP still insist on e-pass compliance in their registration portals. Even for visiting tourist spots in Tamil Nadu, one has to show e-passes. It is well-known that the Unlock guidelines are for restoration of economy. Unless states follow them uniformly, the purpose of these guidelines will be defeated.

R Sekar, Vizag

Saving each drop of water

This has reference to the news 'Wastage of potable water will invite 5-year jail'. It is a welcome step in the right direction. It is laudable that the NGT acted on the initiative of a petition. Unless such stern measures are implemented, India cannot quench the thirst of 1.4 billion population. While villagers struggle for a pot of water, there is atrocious wastage in metros. The saying wilful waste leads to woeful want ought to caution us.

R Krishnamachary, Chennai

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Pema Khandu @PemaKhanduBJP
This is not 1962, but 2020, things are different now. If required, the people of Arunachal will not hesitate to stand behind the Indian Army

Sukhbir Singh Badal @officeofssbadal
The CM chose to enter into a deal' with the Centre and get 'wishy-washy' bills passed with the sole intention of 'sabotaging' the farmers' agitation.

Ashok Gehlot @ashokgehlot51
Greetings and best wishes to #ITBP officials and their families on the 59th Raising Day. The force has been serving the nation with exemplary courage.

"The pretentious Congress has not said a word. The tweet-friendly Rahul Gandhi has not tweeted on the Hoshiarpur incident. There has been no outrage"

Nirmala Sitharaman, BJP

"Unlike in UP, the governments of Punjab and Rajasthan are not denying that the girl was raped, threatening her family and blocking the course of justice.

Rahul Gandhi, Congress

"If the BJP had made even an iota of this effort...ensuring justice for the family in Hathras, the Cong would not have been forced to take on the responsibility

Amarinder Singh, Punjab CM

Political slugfest erupts over Punjab rape case

BJP slams 'selective outrage,' Cong says Hathras comparision wrong

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A political slugfest has erupted over alleged rape and death of six-year-old girl in Punjab. While BJP accused the Opposition leaders of 'selective outrage,' the Congress hit back by terming the allegations as 'political puffery.'

In a horrifying incident the Dalit girl was allegedly raped, killed and then set on fire. Her half-burnt body was found at a home in Tanda's Jalalpur village, police had said.

The accused, Gurpreet Singh and his grandfather Surjit Singh, have been arrested for the heinous crime, they said. However, not missing the opportunity, the BJP hit out at Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi Vadra on Saturday for their 'selective outrage' in cases of atrocities against women. Comparing this incident with the Hathras one, it questioned their 'silence' over the alleged rape and killing of a six-year-old girl in Punjab.

Both the Congress leaders had visited the family of a 19-year-old Dalit girl who was allegedly gangraped and cremated without kin's consent in Hathras in Uttar Pradesh.

Hitting out at the Congress, Finance Minister and senior BJP leader Nirmala Sitharaman said, "The pretentious Congress has not said a word. The tweet-friendly Rahul Gandhi has not tweeted on the Hoshiarpur incident. There has been no outrage. And no picnic either."

"The Congress party should stand up and answer. Does this kind of selective outrage suit the stature of their party? "Why is the brother-sister pair not going and voicing horror in Hoshiarpur? Why not in Rajasthan? The selective cry of outrage that the Congress wants to show when it is elsewhere but not in states governed by it is completely exposed," Sitharaman said.

Another senior BJP leader and Union minister Prakash Javadekar also slammed the two Congress leaders and asked, "They (the Gandhis) cannot see atrocities against women in the states where it (Congress) is in power. Neither Rahul Gandhi nor Priyanka went there and nor was there any comment from its president, Sonia Gandhi."

Meanwhile, trashing all the allegations, Punjab Chief Minister Captain Amarinder Singh termed the BJP leaders' remarks as "political puffery" with no substance or basis to support their criticism.

Singh also rejected the BJP's attack on his government as well as the Gandhis and said that there was no comparison between the Hoshiarpur and the Hathras case.

The chief minister expressed shock at Sitharaman's and Javadekar's remark of 'picnic tour' by the Gandhis and other Congress MPs in Hathras, saying it reflected the 'grossness' of the BJP's 'anti-Dalit and anti-woman mindset'.

SSR CASE

NBA asks three news channels to apologise

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @New Delhi

THE National Broadcasting Authority (NBA) has directed news channels Aaj Tak, Zee News, News 24 and India TV to follow its earlier order to apologise for insensitively reporting the death of actor Sushant Singh Rajput.

The NBSA has asked Aaj Tak to air an apology on October 27 at 8 pm for their tweets and wrongly reporting the screenshots calling them real and attributing them as Rajput's last weeks. The channel has also been fined an amount of ₹1L.

"Aaj Tak apologises that while reporting on the incidents relating to the suicide of Sushant Singh Rajput, we had run certain tweets on Aaj Tak channel and wrongly reported the screenshots calling them real and attributing them as the actor's last tweets.. Reports received from news-agencies should be attributed and where possible verified; Allegations should be reported accurately as made and errors of fact should becorrected at the earliest, giving sufficient prominence to the broadcast of the correct version of fact(s)," said an order from NBA directing the channel to translate this text in Hindi for viewers.

While Zee News, India TV and News 24 have been asked to air apologies for insensitive reporting of the actor's death, India TV has been asked to publicly apologise for showing the late actor's body.

'Do not approve of Republic TV's journalism'

The NBA said that it did not approve the kind of journalism being practised by Republic TV. This comes in the light of the alleged TRP scam. It reiterated that it did not support toxic content and unethical journalism. It also condemned any attempt to target journalists but disapproved any 'vengeful reporting' by media.

Jagan breached executive-judiciary power separation, says Jaising

ANDHRA Pradesh chief minister Jagan Mohan Reddy violated the doctrine of separation of powers between the executive and the judiciary by writing a letter to chief justice of India S A Bobde, senior advocate and former additional solicitor general Indira Jaising told Kanu Sarda.

Jagan Mohan Reddy has alleged that Justice N V Ramana's daughters are involved in questionable land deals relating to the Amaravati capital project and that Justice Ramana is interfering in the working of the Andhra Pradesh high court.

It is not for me to make any statement on this issue since I am not privy to all the facts. But, as per media reports, an FIR has been lodged into the land transaction. It is true that the Andhra Pradesh high court has stayed the investigation. The Andhra Pradesh government has also filed an appeal against the high court order in the Supreme Court. The government needs to await the outcome of that special leave petition.

I fail to understand why this issue found a place in the letter to the Chief Justice. He has no power to interfere with pending proceedings. Some have argued that the matter should go to in-house committee. In my opinion a matter that is sub-judice can't be the subject matter of an in-house committee.

Do you think it was proper of Jagan to have made public his letter to the CJI?

There are two issues here. The first is whether in his capacity as the CM he should have written directly to the CJI. The second is whether having done so he should have made the letter public.

In so far as first issue is concerned, Jagan wrote in his capacity as the CM, not as an ordinary citizen. In a system, where there is a separation of power between the judiciary and the executive, the CM ought to have written to the governor, who would have then sent it to the President, who is the appointing authority of judges. The President would then decide whether to forward the letter to the CJI for his comments.

Second, the letter ought not to have been released to the press as it prejudices a sitting judge of the SC without his having an opportunity to respond.

There is a view that Jagan wrote the letter because an SC bench headed by Justice Ramana is hearing a case relating to MPs and MLAs accused in criminal cases in which Jagan is also an accused.

I am more concerned with the institution of the Supreme Court of India. The issue is of due process of law, namely how to achieve accountability. There are legal remedies which he chose not to exercise.

What should be the CJI's next step?

I have already said a pending matter cannot go before an in-house inquiry committee. The allegations about interfering with the functioning of the high court amount to impeachable misbehaviour. If the CM is serious about the allegations and has sufficient material to back it up, he ought to activate the process of impeachment through his MPs in Parliament.

What do you think needs to be changed in the present system of appointment of judges?

In my opinion the process should be completely transparent. I prefer the American system where a proposed appointee is scrutinised for his/her political background and views on issues of national importance such as gender justice, civil liberties, human rights, secularism and the right to free speech.

What do you think is stopping the Supreme Court from having in place a grievance redressal system? Do we need a law to deal with this?

This requires a law so parliament should address this, not the judiciary. The judiciary has put in place a 'Restatement of values of judicial life' as a code of conduct for judges. These need to be finedtuned and made into a law. Similarly, the judiciary has put in place an In-house procedure. This, too, needs to be put on a statutory footing with a proper procedure for entertaining complaints and inquiring into them.

Of late, the In-house procedure has become meaningless. Assuming that an In-house procedure finds wrongdoing on the part of a judge, its findings remain recommendatory as the CJI has no disciplinary authority over any sitting judge of the HC and SC.

For full interview, visit www.thenewindianexpress.com

BORDER ROW

ITBP procures latest V-SAT systems and weaponry

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AMID border tensions with China, the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP), has procured the latest weaponry, V-SAT systems at the borders and a proposal for Phase-2 for India-China Border roads has been sent to the Ministry of Home Affairs.

Speaking at the 59th Raising Day of the force, Minister of State for Home Affairs Kishan Reddy said while India believes in the philosophy of *'vasudhaiva kutumbakam'* or the world is one family, the culture of the country teaches it to worship both *'shastra and astra'* or sacred scriptures and weapons at the same time.

"This has taught us that the enemy can raise its head anytime, anywhere and we should be fully prepared to face any possibility. The ITBP is an important pillar of that preparedness of the country. Armies of some countries had a myth that they were among the powerful armies of the world, but during the developments in the past few months, the ITBP has broken that myth," Reddy said in a refference to China without taking its name.

Praising the mountain force, Reddy said the country and its citizens are proud of the ITBP's valour and dedication.

Ballia firing: Kin of accused files FIR on court order

NAMITA BAJPAI @Lucknow

IN a twist to the Ballia firing case involving a BJP worker Dhirendra Singh, the district police have registered a cross-FIR against 21 named and 30 unidentified persons at Revati police station.

Revati police station incharge Pravin Kumar Singh said the FIR was lodged following the court order under various IPC sections dealing with rioting, possessing deadly weapons, attempt to murder and Criminal Law (amendment) Act. The fresh FIR has been lodged on the basis of a complaint of Asha Pratap Singh, the sister-in-law of accused Dhirendra Singh.

Dhirendra Singh had allegedly shot dead a local villager Jaiprakash Pal in front of top police and administration officials during a meeting called for the allotment of fair price shops at Durjanpur village recently.

Dhirendra Singh is believed to be a close aide of BJP's Bairia MLA Surendra Singh who defended Dhirendra before being summoned to Lucknow and served a show-cause by the party leadership.

Sources said Dhirendra's sister-in-law Asha had said in her petition that she along with seven other women of the family would commit immolation if their FIR was not lodged by Friday evening.

The police have arrested main accused Dhirendra along with a dozen others named by the victim's family in the FIR. Dhirendra was remanded in police custody for two days on Thursday.

Meanwhile, on a tip-off given by Dhirendra Singh, the police have recovered the weapon used in the crime. After his arrest from a park in Lucknow, Dhirendra was taken to Ballia and was produced before the CJM court on Oct19. His bail plea was rejected and he was remanded in judicial custody for 14 days.

FESTIVE SPIRIT

Trinamool MP Nusrat Jahan (2nd R) and her husband Nikhil Jain (L) take part in 'Maha Ashtami' celebrations in Kolkata | PTI

SAFETY THREAT

Virtual SIM cards a new headache for Army in J&K

MAYANK SINGH @New Delhi

VIRTUAL SIM cards pose a new headache for security agencies fighting terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir as their use in the valley has seen an increase among terror groups to connect with their handlers in Pakistan

A senior Army officer said, "The recent trend is use of the virtual mobile numbers which the terrorists are not only registering on various websites, apps and social media platforms but also are using for internet calls."

In this technology, the computer generates a telephone number and the user downloads an application of the service provider on their smartphone.

The number is linked to social networking sites like WhatsApp, Facebook, Telegram or Twitter. The verification code for activating the service is generated by these networking sites and received on the smartphone.

Also, internet has become another medium to carry out terror operations.

The challenge is to trace these numbers which does not exist physically and can be obtained on internet through various means including the crypto currency. Crypto Currency is a digital currency used as a medium of exchange.

Social media has also become the medium of choice for the anti-national elements said another senior Army officer. "The militants and their handlers are using social media to propagate radicalization amongst the youth who spend a major time of theirs on internet based facilities."

DATA SUGGESTS EXPOSURE TO GERMS BOOSTS IMMUNITY

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THE paper has been published by the Council for Scientific Industrial Research, National Centre for Cell Science in Pune and the Chennai Mathematical Institute. The researchers have analysed various developmental parameters, including measures of water and sanitation, and Covid-19 deaths per million in over 100 countries and have found that the poorer the water-sanitation scores, the lower the deaths per million.

"Paradoxically, better sanitation leads to poorer 'immune training' and thus could be leading to higher deaths per million," the paper said.

Several immunological studies in the past have suggested that exposure to bacterial or parasitic infections can strengthen the immune system against future infections.

"We found deaths are low in areas with poorer sanitation and it could be due to a process called immune training," Parveen Kumar, epidemiologist, told *TNIE*. Kumar works at the Rajendra Prasad Government Medical College in Kangra and an author of a similar paper, 'Covid-19 mortality: Probable role of microbiome to explain mortality' too suggested the same.

He said, immune training involves multiple arms of the immune system, and is still not very well understood.

Immunologist Dipyaman Ganguly said there was a greater focus on the concept of trained immunity which, to some extent, is related to the broader concept of the hygiene hypothesis. "There is data that with increased exposure to germs in the environment, especially usual in the tropical climatic conditions, prepare our immune system better in terms of its repertoire and regulations," he said.

Biologist and Vice-chancellor of Jamia Hamdard University, Seyed Hasnain, said while he cannot vouch for the link between trained immunity, hygiene hypothesis and low death rate due to coronavirus, it was very likely.

No political parties in Bihar can ignore unemployment, poor development

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SIMILARLY, the rural unemployment rate jumped from 15 to 102. The data has also revealed that, barring the Northeast, Bihar is the only state where the unemployment rate has crossed 100. The number of industrial workers has also decreased in the past four years, indicating that factories have fallen on bad times. While there were 1.25 lakh workers in 2014-15, the number fell to 1.04 lakh in 2017-18. (See graphic 2)

As Nitish Kumar took charge as chief minister in November 2005, he is vulnerable on this front. Sensing this, the RJD's Tejashwi Yadav has left no stone unturned to take advantage. In the manifesto released on Saturday, the party promised that if voted to power, giving 10 lakh jobs would figure in the first cabinet meeting.

The "process of recruitment of 10 lakh permanent jobs, including 4.5 lakh vacant posts during 15 years of (the) NDA regime and generating 5.5 lakh more posts in the first cabinet meeting" is a promise, the party manifesto said.

The Congress, part of the mahagathbandhan with the RJD, toed the alliance partner's line, promising ₹1,500 monthly to all unemployed youth in its manifesto released last week.

Not to be left behind, the BJP has promised to generate 19 lakh jobs in its *'sankalpa patra.'* The manifesto promised "3 lakh new appointments of teachers in educational institutions in the coming one year," "5 lakh IT jobs in the next five years by developing the state into a new IT hub," "job opportunities to 1 lakh people in the health sector" and "10 lakh agriculture-linked jobs."

BJP spokesperson Prem Ranjan Patel said the party was concerned at the high unemployment rate and vowed to provide employment opportunities to 1 crore women through self-help groups. The JD-U, in its manifesto, talked about empowering the youth through "better technical education so that they can get employment opportunities in the state and even outside."

Lalu out, Tejashwi in RJD's poll manifesto

Rashtriya Janata Dal on Saturday released its poll manifesto. The cover page of the manifesto displays photographs of Mahatama Gandhi, Dalits icon B R Ambedkar among freedom fighter Maulana Abul Kalam Azad among others. Curiously, it does not have photo of the party's founder Lalu Prasad but Tejashwi Yadav's photo finds a prominent space

AAP WORKERS DETAINED
Several Punjab AAP leaders and volunteers were detained by the Chandigarh Police while on their way to lay siege to the BJP office in Sector 37 in Chandigarh on Saturday

1 SHOT DEAD IN BIKANER, CASH LOOTED

Ahmedabad	35	20	Mumbai	30	23
Bhopal	33	17	Panaji	31	24
Jaipur	35	24	Patna	33	23
Amritsar	32	16	Lucknow	33	18
Chennai	34	26	Port Blair	29	24
Kolkata	32	24	Imphal	26	19
Srinagar	22	03	Chandigarh	33	14

Shiv Sena Dogra Front activists during a protest against PDP president Mehbooba Mufti in Jammu on Saturday | PTI

Mufti's remarks anti-national, says BJP, she hits back

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

A day after PDP chief Mehbooba Mufti said she won't raise the Tricolour till J&K's flag and the constitution were restored, the BJP on Saturday hit out at the former CM, terming her remarks as "anti-national" and "disrespectful".

The BJP has warned Mehbooba and her party that if they continue to follow the "anti-national" and "separatists" path, they would be treated with the way the separatists are dealt with, threatening that the PDP can even be banned for such activities.

Law Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad asserted that Article 370, which gave the erstwhile state a special status and was revoked last year, will not be restored. It was removed following a proper constitutional process and both Houses of Parliament approved it with overwhelming numbers, he said.

Senior BJP leader CM Kavinder Gupta said Mehbooba's remarks show her anti-national mindset.

"They are frustrated and venting their frustration through these anti-national remarks. Her party has been split and 70 per cent of her party leaders have left her. She has herself surrendered to Farooq Abdullah's party," he said.

> **Indian flag stands for diversity and peaceful coexistence among all. If anyone has insulted the tiranga, it's BJP that persecutes minorities, sows hatred**
>
> Mehbooba Mufti, PDP chief

In her first press conference after her release from over 14-month detention, Mehbooba on Friday said she won't raise tri-colour until J&K's constitution and Article 370 were restored. She has also announced not to contest any election till the special status is restored. "I request the Lt Governor to take cognisance of the seditious remarks of Mehbooba, book her for the seditious act and put her behind bars," J&K BJP chief Ravinder Raina said.

Hitting backing at the BJP, Mehbooba tweeted: "The Flag of India was disrespected the day BJP leaders carried it to justify rapists of a 9-year-old. Spare me the lessons."

EXPRESS READ

Number of MBBS seats increased in J&K

Jammu: The number of MBBS seats in government medical colleges (GMCs) in J&K has increased from 500 in 2018-19 to 1,100 seats for the academic session 2020-21. The health and medical education department has got a letter of permission from the National Medical Commission (NMC) for the GMC Doda to admit 100 MBBS students.

Beyond politics: Bihar scores poorly on various infrastructure parameters

Despite govt's efforts to improve infrastructure, state lags in power availability, phone connections, industry, roads

KUMAR VIKRAM @ New Delhi

POLITICAL parties might have different views about development in Bihar, but the government data reveals that the state is lags under various infrastructure parameters and development — whether it is per capita availability of power or phone connections, industry or roads.

As per data from RBI's 'Handbook of statistics on Indian States 2018-19', the per capita availability of power in Bihar is 287.3 kilowatt-hour, which is much below the national average of 1,028 kw-hour.

The figures reveal that Bihar is behind Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh and Uttar Pradesh which were once considered backward states. These four states have 757 kwk, 1021, 1042 and 582 kwh per capita power availability respectively.

Roads and highways are important parameters to define development in any state. However, Bihar has been found lagging behind many states in terms of state highways. As per the RBI report, total length of state highways in Bihar is 4,006 km. However, others states like Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh, Odisha and Madhya Pradesh have been found scoring much better with 4,438 km, 7,201 km, 4,139 km and 11,389 km of state highways in the year 2017.

Availability of power and good roads are main ingredients to invite investors, but Bihar has been found scoring poorly on both these parameters.

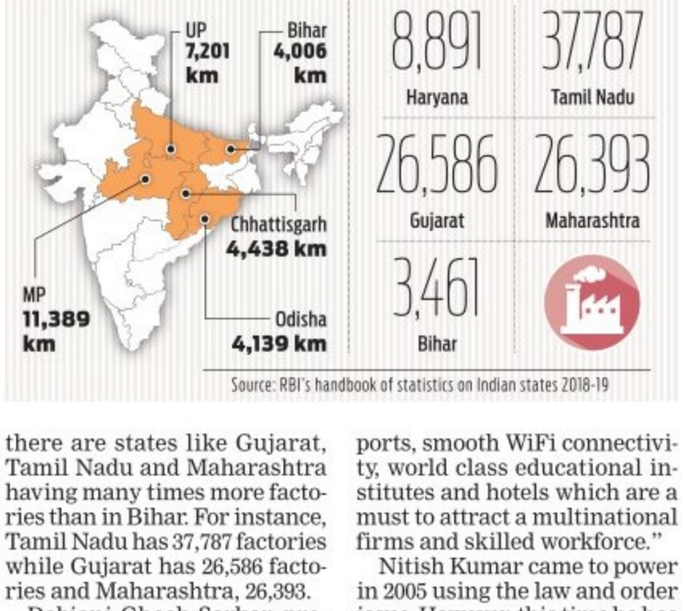
Similarly, in 'availability of telephones' which is also an important parameter to show where a state stands in terms of development and affluence, Bihar fares poorly. The number of telephones per 100 people in Bihar is 59.95, much below the national average of 90.10. There are states like Punjab, Karnataka where the number is 125 and 110. Even the 'backward' state Odisha has 75.7 phones/100 people.

Factories, one of the major sources of employment generation, are far less in Bihar than its counterparts. As per the data, the total number of factories in the year 2017-18 in the state was 3,461 while the much smaller state Haryana has 8,891 factories -- more than double of what Bihar has. Moreover, there are states like Gujarat, Tamil Nadu and Maharashtra having many times more factories than in Bihar. For instance, Tamil Nadu has 37,787 factories while Gujarat has 26,586 factories and Maharashtra, 26,393.

Debjani Ghosh Sarkar, professor, Patna Women's College, has pointed out in her research paper 'Infrastructural Constraints of Development in Bihar' that the industrial scenario of the state presents a "grim picture". "Though the state government is trying hard to improve infrastructure facilities to attract investment for industries, various constraints are posing problems. The state lacks proper international airports, smooth WiFi connectivity, world class educational institutes and hotels which are a must to attract a multinational firms and skilled workforce."

Nitish Kumar came to power in 2005 using the law and order issue. However, this time he has come under attack particularly by the RJD on poor condition of employment and development in Bihar. RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav recently hit out at the NDA government saying the alliance has ruined Bihar in the last 15 years.

"The people stand for change, development, employment and jobs in Bihar. The incompetent NDA government has ruined Bihar," he said.



RJD leader Tejashwi Yadav (right) with MP Manoj Jha release party's manifesto 'Prann Hamara' at party office in Patna on Saturday | PTI

10 lakh jobs, farm loan waiver in RJD manifesto; RLSP focus on education

RAJESH KUMAR THAKUR @ Patna

THE Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD), which heads the Opposition Grand Alliance coalition in the Bihar elections, on Saturday released its poll manifesto reiterating its promise of 10 lakh jobs and loan waiver for the farmers, while Upendra Kushwaha, chief of the RLSP leading the Grand Democratic Secular Front, promised a major revamp in the education sector if voted to power.

The RJD's manifesto was released by Tejashwi Yadav at a press conference in the party office in Patna. The cover page of the manifesto does not have a photo of the party's founder and its charismatic leader Lalu Prasad.

Tejashwi made it clear that the funds for new jobs will come from the state's budget of ₹2.13 lakh crore, out of which, only 60 per cent have been spent till now. The RJD said the promised 10 lakh jobs will be created "in a time bound manner". And its process will begin in the first Cabinet meeting. Wooing farmers, it promised the minimum support price for crops. If voted to power, Tejashwi said the government, led by the RJD, will waive off full farm loan and education loan up to ₹5 lakh, besides allocating a huge 22 per cent of the state budget for education. "Nitish Kumar has been raising doubts on our promise of providing 10 lakh jobs, so how his future government will fulfil ally BJP's declaration of 19 lakh jobs?" Tejashwi asked. The party has promised one-time support of ₹4,000 at the time of institutional delivery.

Releasing the RLSP's manifesto, Kushwaha said: "We are promising to ensure studies, medicine, earning, irrigation, action and hearing on a priority basis."

He also claimed that the RLSP will be the first party to start the Swami Sahajanand Saraswati Krishi Rozgar Yojana parallel to the MNREGA. In a big promise, he said the teachers would be completely exempted from non-teacher works in order to keep education unhindered. "There would be a mandatory the biometric method for registering the presence of teachers and students in educational institutions of all levels," he said.

Rajasthan man catches sister with lover, kills her to save 'family honour'

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

IN a suspected case of honour killing, a man in Alwar district allegedly smashed his sister's head on the wall and the ground several times, killing her almost instantly. The police have arrested the man and an investigation is under way.

The 22-year-old victim was reportedly in a relationship with a boy of her own community but the family wanted her to marry someone else.

On Thursday, when the incident took place, the entire family except the victim had gone to their native village to attend a social function.

Taking advantage of the situation, the duo decided to meet at her home. But to the victim's bad luck, her brother returned in the evening and found the two together.

After her lover had left, a huge fight broke out between the brother and the sister over the girl's relationship. The fight took an ugly turn and the enraged brother hit his sister on the wall and the ground, killing her.

The victim's lover called a friend and told him about the whole incident, who in turn reported the matter to the police on Friday afternoon. The police later reached the spot and took possession of the body and kept it in a morgue of the Bhiwadi government hospital.

According to Bhiwadi Superintendent of Police Ramamurthy Joshi, "the man beat to death his own sister on Thursday night because of the love affair. We have arrested the accused and registered a case of murder against him."

To prevent such atrocities, the Rajasthan Assembly had passed a Bill last year to make the law more stringent. The bill included a provision of death penalty or life imprisonment for killings in the name of "family honour."

'TRETA YUGA'

Ayodhya takes to tech to revisit Lord Ram's days

NAMITA BAJPAI @ Lucknow

THE star-studded Ramlila in Ayodhya this year has been a display of technological throwback to the mystical 'treta yuga' of Lord Ram with only one exception: crowds are limited with Covid-19 restrictions.

The illuminated Lakshman Qila along the holy Saryu is witness to a dazzling Ramlila being live-streamed every evening for three hours since last Saturday, the first day of 'Shardiya Navratri.' Sunday will mark the yearly event's culmination. Aided by advanced acoustics and technology, the show is a visual delight with Bollywood stars lending it the added sheen.

Angad's Hinglish

Actor-politician Manoj Tiwari, acting as Angad, brought in some 'unintended' hilarious moments during his interaction with Ravan. Interrupting a raging Ravan, Tiwari said: "ek second, ek second" while continuing the flurry of dialogues in Hindi. Referring to Lord Hanuman, he ends up saying "wo hamari team ka chhota bandar hai".

The Ramlila troupe comprises a 120-member crew from Mumbai and 85 artistes, including actor-turned netas such as Ravi Kishen and Manoj Tiwari. While Ravi Kishan plays the role of Bharat, the younger brother of Lord Ram, Manoj Tiwari presents himself as Angad, who had gone to Ravan as a messenger of peace on behalf of Lord Ram.

Half-a-dozen other Bollywood celebrities, including Shahbaz Khan, are bringing Ravan alive on the stage, while Asrani has played Narad and Rakesh Bedi Vibhishan. Bindu Dara Singh is carrying on the legacy of his father Dara Singh in the role of Lord Hanuman. The episodes are shot from nine different angles by a 55-member Doordarshan team. A specialised 12-member makeup team brings alive the visage of Ramayana characters in the actors.

The live performance, which began from October 17, will end with 'Ravan Dahan' on Sunday. "A 100-foot tall Ravan effigy is being put up. We have invited Prime Minister Modi to be the chief guest," says Subhash Malik, director of the Ramlila.

PCC chief Dotasra completes 100 days

Govind Singh Dotasra has completed 100 days as the president of Rajasthan Pradesh Congress Committee (PCC), but he still has no team. In the last 100 days, Dotasra has been the only appointed member in the Rajasthan Congress unit. On July 14, during the political battle between CM Ashok Gehlot and party leader Sachin Pilot, the latter was removed from the posts of PCC chief and deputy CM. In his place, Dotasra was given the command. Due to the political situation arising at that time, all the top-to-bottom units of the state Congress were dissolved immediately. But in the absence of office-bearers, the party work is being run through old office bearers and party MLAs in the state.

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JAIPUR DIARY

Political fever for municipal polls intensifies

Despite the coronavirus situation, the political fever for the upcoming municipal elections in Rajasthan has intensified. The BJP and the Congress have traded charges of internal bickering. Both parties have predicted a poor show for each other in the elections. Voting for 6 municipal corporations, including Jaipur and Kota, will be held in two phases on October 29 and November 1. For a total of 560 wards of the 6 municipal corporations, 2,903 candidates have filed 3,216 nomination papers. Many say a large, unprecedented number of candidates is linked to the economic slump caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. With countless people losing all sources of income, many are now keen to try their luck in politics.

14 RAS officers promoted to IAS

As many as 14 senior officers of the Rajasthan Administrative Service (RAS) have been promoted to the IAS. These officers were selected for promotion at a board meeting of the Union Public Service Commission in Delhi. As per the order, Mahendra Parikh, Hridesh Kumar Sharma, Laxman Singh Kudi, Nalini Kathotia, Rajendra Singh Shekhawat, Sohan Lal Sharma, Meghraj Singh Ratnu, Anu Prerna Kuntal, Rajendra Vijay, Prakash Chand Sharma, Shakti Singh Rathore, Pragya Kevalaramani, Tarachand Meena and Harimohan Meena will be promoted as IAS officers.

Governor stresses on implementation of NEP

Rajasthan Governor Kalraj Mishra has asked the state universities to prepare a vision document while keeping in mind the future requirements in higher education. Pointing out that Rajasthan should become the leading state in implementing the National Education Policy 2020 in a practical manner, Mishra called upon the vice-chancellors to study the points of the policy and implement it. Addressing an online meeting on the NEP-2020 and Unlock guidelines, the government said the universities should try to make efforts to become self-sufficient by developing their own resources, a release said.

18 killed
after a suicide bomber attacked an education centre in the Afghan capital on Saturday

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Colombo	31	25	TDS	Melbourne	14	7	LC
Dhaka	33	24	LC	Moscow	7	2	HR
Dubai	35	22	SNY	New York	18	11	LC
Houston	29	22	LC	Singapore	33	26	LR
Istanbul	21	14	LR	Toronto	13	8	LC
London	13	8	LC	Washington	20	11	LC

Countries struggle in face of fresh virus surge, US sets new case record

Too many countries are seeing an exponential increase in coronavirus cases, WHO warns

PARIS

GRIM data highlighted the struggle for authorities around the world to bring the coronavirus pandemic under control Saturday, as the US reported more than 83,000 infections in a single day, France extended a curfew to two-thirds of citizens and Germany's death toll passed 10,000.

The World Health Organization had earlier warned of an "exponential" rise in infections threatening health systems' ability to cope.

But populations weary of social isolation and economic hardship have pushed back against fresh restrictions to slow the resurgent virus' spread, including overnight clashes in hard-hit Naples between Italian police and hundreds of protesters.

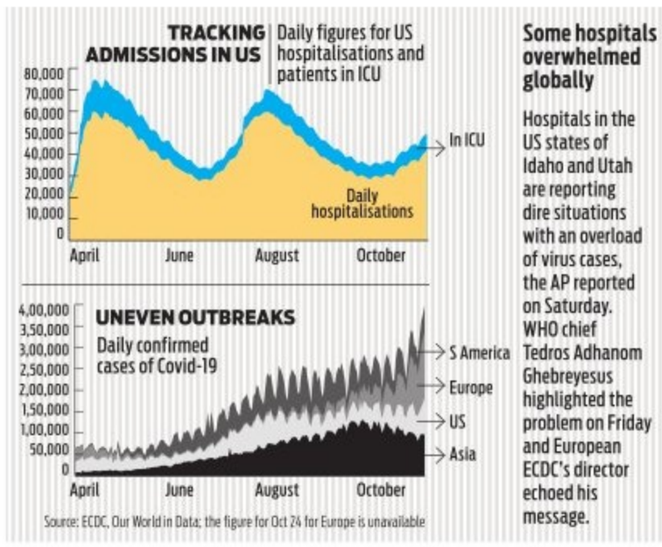
In the US, Covid-19 has become a central election issue ahead of a November 3 vote, with President Donald Trump on Friday promising attendees at a Florida rally that "we're going to quickly end this pandemic, this horrible plague."

Meanwhile challenger Joe Biden matched Trump's vow to make a vaccine available for free to all who want it "whether or not you're insured" and said the Republican incumbent has "given up" on controlling the outbreak.

The US death toll has grown to 223,995, according to a Covid-19 dashboard published by Johns Hopkins University. The total U.S. caseload reported on the site Friday was 83,757, topping the 77,362 cases reported on July 16.

Overall, more than 223,000 people have died from Covid-19 in the US.

Two women inside a protective bubble at a cafe in New Jersey, US | AP



Some hospitals overwhelmed globally

Hospitals in the US states of Idaho and Utah are reporting dire situations with an overload of virus cases, the AP reported on Saturday. WHO chief Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus highlighted the problem on Friday and European ECDC's director echoed his message.

France on Friday followed Spain past the milestone of one million cases, while the government extended an overnight curfew designed to slow the spread to affect some 46 million people.

"Whatever we do in the coming days and weeks, the toll will grow heavier," Health Minister Olivier Veran told lawmakers.

And after Germany recorded its 10,000th death from the coronavirus, Chancellor Angela Merkel told citizens that "the order of the day is to reduce contacts, to meet as few people as possible" in a weekly video podcast.

WHO chief Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus had on Friday warned that "too many countries are seeing an exponential increase in Covid-19 cases and that is now leading to hospitals and intensive care units running close to or above capacity -- and we're still only in October." "We urge leaders to take immediate action to prevent further unnecessary deaths."

That message was echoed by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), whose director Andrea Ammon warned of a "highly concerning epidemiological situation".

But moves to reintroduce restrictions were met with protest in parts of the continent.

In Naples, hundreds of demonstrators turned out after a call on social media to resist a curfew in parts of Italy, throwing objects at police and setting rubbish bins on fire. *AFP*

Poland's president tests positive for coronavirus

Poland's President Andrzej Duda said he had tested positive for coronavirus on Saturday, as the EU country faces a record rise in cases and mass protests despite a ban on public gatherings intended to stem infections. Duda is the latest in a string of leaders to have been diagnosed with the virus, including US President Donald Trump, British Prime Minister Boris Johnson and Brazil's President Jair Bolsonaro. All have recovered and, aside from the diagnosis, the 48-year-old Duda is believed to be in good general health. It's unclear when Duda was infected.

ASIA MATTERS

PAKISTAN

TV reporter goes missing in Karachi

A reporter working for Pakistan's leading Geo News television who had gone missing in the southern port city of Karachi has been found, family and colleague said Saturday. Geo bureau chief in Karachi, Fahim Siddiqi, said Ali Imran Syed had contacted his wife by phone to say that he had reached his mother's home. Earlier police registered the journalist's disappearance as an "abduction" case without naming suspects. The reporter left home late Friday evening telling his wife that he would be back in half an hour before disappearing for 72 hours. Recently there have been several cases of Pakistani journalists being detained or abducted for several hours, before being released. Siddiqi said the reporter's abduction may have been related to his work on recent political events, including the arrest of an opposition leader who is the son-in-law of former premier Nawaz Sharif. Minister for Human Rights Shireen Mazari said in a tweet no one should "disappear in a democracy".

SRI LANKA

Harbours closed after 609 people test positive

Authorities in Sri Lanka on Saturday closed at least two fishery harbors and many stalls after a surge of 609 cases linked to the country's main fish market. The government also widened the curfew in parts of Colombo. At least 11 villages were isolated in Western province, which includes Colombo. Health authorities on Wednesday temporarily closed the fish market on Colombo's outskirts.

THAILAND

Thai PM repeats calls for calm ahead of protesters' deadline

Thailand's government and the country's pro-democracy movement appeared no closer to resolving their differences Saturday, as the protesters' evening deadline for PM Prayuth Chan-ocha to step down approached.Prayuth's office issued a statement repeating his plea to resolve differences through Parliament, which will discuss the situation in a special session starting Monday. "Although the ongoing political situation comprises many opposing views among different groups, we should rather take this as an opportunity for Thais to consult each other on what is best for the nation," said the statement.

MALAYSIA

PM trying to keep power through emergency law: Anwar

Malaysian opposition leader Anwar Ibrahim said he's concerned about reports that the PM is seeking the declaration of a state of emergency to fight the coronavirus as an excuse to suspend Parliament so he can stymie bids to oust his government.Local media has reported that Prime Minister Muhyiddin Yassin is seeking an emergency declaration to focus on battling a fresh coronavirus outbreak. Speculation intensified after he held a special Cabinet meeting Friday and then held an audience with the king.

Sunak banned from pub over free kid meals

PARIS

UK Chancellor Rishi Sunak and three fellow ruling Conservative Party members of Parliament from England have been 'barred for life' by a local pub and restaurant in their constituency region after they voted against free school meals for children during the holidays.

The Mill pub and its connected Il Mulino restaurant at Stokesley in North Yorkshire, which falls within Sunak's constituency of Richmond (Yorks), took to social media soon after a vote in the House of Commons earlier this week on extending the government's temporary free meals for schoolchildren as part of a campaign led by England team footballer Marcus Rashford.

'The government voted against extending free school meals. This is disgusting,' Alex Cook, the owner of the eatery, posted on Facebook on Thursday. 'What's worse Matt Vickers MP, Simon Clarke MP & Jacob Young MP, Rishi Sunak all voted against the scheme. DISGUSTING! All 4 are now barred from The Mill & Il Mulino for life. I don't want their business,' he said.

His angry post, which has been shared over thousand times and signed off as 'Team Mill', begins by saying that while he does not usually 'do politics', the vote against free meals for children in need had forced him to.

'I have never known a government which is consistently the wrong end of every argument. Forget the poor handling of Covid for a minute and concentrate on what happened yesterday [Wednesday],' he said, in reference to the Commons vote. *PTI*

Volunteer fighters stand in a village south-east of Stepanakert, Nagorno-Karabakh | AFP

Caucasus conflict rages as US mediates

BERLIN

ROCKET and artillery barrage hit residential areas in Nagorno-Karabakh on Saturday hours after the United States hosted top diplomats from Armenia and Azerbaijan for talks on settling their decades-long conflict over the region.

The heavy shelling forced residents of Stepanakert, the regional capital of Nagorno-Karabakh, into shelters, as emergency teams rushed to extinguish fires. Local officials said the city was struck with Azerbaijan's Smerch long-range multiple rocket systems, a devastating Soviet-designed weapon intended to ravage wide areas with explosives and cluster munitions.

Nagorno-Karabakh authorities said other towns in the region were also targeted by Azerbaijani artillery fire. There was no immediate information about casualties. Officials in Azerbaijan claimed that the town of Terter and areas in the Gubadli region came under Armenian shelling early Saturday, killing a teenager. They also said 13-year-old boy died Saturday of wounds from an earlier shelling of Ganja, Azerbaijan's second-largest city.

Nagorno-Karabakh lies within Azerbaijan but has been under the control of ethnic Armenian forces backed by Armenia since a war there ended in 1994. The current fighting that started Sept. 27 marks the worst escalation in the conflict since the war's end and has killed hundreds, perhaps even thousands, as per official reports. After two failed attempts by Russia to broker a truce, the US waded onto the scene. *AP*

TRUMP CASTS VOTE IN FLORIDA, BIDEN TAPS BON JOVI FOR RALLY

WEST PALM BEACH

US President Donald Trump said he voted Saturday "for a guy named Trump" and called it an "honor" to cast his own ballot in his adopted home state of Florida before he jetted off to campaign in three battleground states.

Democrat Joe Biden, with some help from rock legend Jon Bon Jovi, was focusing on hotly contested pockets of Pennsylvania that could prove key to deciding the outcome of the race in the state.

Trump, who spent the night at his Mar-a-Lago resort after campaigning Friday in Florida, stopped at an early voting polling site set up at a public library. Greeted at the polling site by a crowd of cheering supporters, Trump could have mailed in his ballot, but opted to vote in person. He wore a mask inside, following local rules in place to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus.

Biden hasn't voted and is likely do so in person on Election Day, Nov. 3., as Delaware doesn't offer early voting. Trump, who has made unsubstantiated claims of massive fraud about mail-in voting, gave another plug to in-person voting.

"When you send in your ballot it could never be like that. It could never be secure like that," said Trump before leaving for his campaign stops in three states.

Rallies were planned for Lumberton, North Carolina, Circleville, Ohio, and Waukesha, Wisconsin, and the president promises to go full throttle over the final 10 days of the campaign even as the number of new coronavirus cases continues to climb.

Biden has focused much of his attention on making the case to voters that Trump doesn't deserve a second term because of his handling of the pandemic. He punctuated the point in a podcast interview with former Obama administration aides that aired Saturday.

"Get control of the virus. Get control of coronavirus," Biden told the Pod Save America. ""Without that, nothing else will work well." *AP*

US President Donald Trump walks with an election superviser after casting his ballot on Saturday for the presidential election, in West Palm Beach, Florida | AP

McConnell denies he's sick after pics emerge

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell says there's nothing the public needs to know about his health after photos taken earlier this week captured what appeared to be bruising on his hands and around his mouth.The Kentucky Republican, who is up for reelection this year, said "of course not" when asked by reporters Thursday if he has a health issue. In a brief exchange in a Senate hallway, McConnell at first declined to answer when asked about his health by a Politico reporter, joking instead that he was worried about the reporter's health. Photos taken at a news conference Tuesday showed what appeared to be bandages and large bruises on McConnell's hands and smaller bruises around his mouth.

Nepal border dists illegally occupied by China: Report

NEW DELHI

CHINA has illegally occupied Nepal's land at several places spreading over seven bordering districts and Indian intelligence agencies have sounded an alert in New Delhi.

The agencies have flagged that Beijing is fast moving forward and further pushing Nepali boundaries by encroaching more landmass. "The actual scenario could be worse as the Nepali Communist Party (NCP) is trying to shield the expansionist agenda of the Chinese Communist Party," an internal intelligence agency report pointed out.

EXPRESS READ

Evo leaves Argentina for Venezuela: Report

Bolivia's former president Evo Morales left Argentina for Caracas Friday in an official Venezuelan aircraft, an official Argentine news agency said. Morales, who has been in exile in Buenos Aires since Dec, flew out of Ezeiza international airport at 2015 GMT bound for the Venezuelan capital, *Telam* said. Local media said Morales was due to return to the Argentine capital on Sunday.

Feeling fantastic after heart surgey: Arnold

Arnold Schwarzenegger says he is feeling "fantastic" after his recent heart surgery. The actor and former California governor said he had a new aortic valve implanted. He posted a photo of himself from his hospital bed. "Thanks to the team at the Cleveland Clinic..."

IN THE COURT OF THE CIVIL JUDGE & J.M.F.C. AT : DEVANAHALLI
C. Misc. No. 89 of 2020
Between: Sri. Ramanjinappa & Others: ...Petitioners
AND The Thasildar ...Respondent
PUBLIC NOTICE
I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my clients **Sri. Ramanjinappa S/o. Late Chikka munishamappa,** Aged about 58 years, residing at. Channahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Chikkajala Post, Bangalore North Taluk and others have filed the above petition for the issuing directions to the Tahsildar for the death certificate of **Late Sri. Chikka Munishamappa S/o. Pilla Annayappa** who died on 3-7-1997 at their residence at Channahalli Village, Jala Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk. If any parties who have any objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the Hon'ble Principal Civil Judge & JMFC at Devanahalli and the date of hearing on 25/11/2020 at 11 A.M. in C.Mis. No. 89/2020.
By order of the Court
Chief Ministerial Officer, Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
Address for service:
Sri.Poodur Vijayraju, Sri. K. Varaprasad, Sri. K.T. Kadoor, Advocates,
Sri. Krishna Nilaya, Taluk Office Road, Opp : Masjid, Devanahalli Town.

BEFORE THE FAMILY COURT AT VELLORE
F.C.I.D.O.P. No. 10/2020
G. AMBROSE PRAVEEN, Aged 34 years, S/o A. George Stephen (Late) No 50 A, Plot No A, Periyar Nagar, Perambur, Chennai-600082 ....Petitioner
Vs
GRACE REBECCA, Aged 31 years W/o Ambrose Praveen, 'Ruby Villa' Apartments. Door No F-3, First Floor, Plot No 6, Ponniamman Coil Street, Rajapandian Avenue, Rajakilpakkam, Chennai-600073
Present Address:
No.91, NISARGA Layout, Heggadadevanpura Village, Alur Post, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangaluru-562162 .... Respondent
PUBLIC NOTICE
It is hereby informed that the petitioner has filed to petition for dissolving the marriage between the petitioner and respondent, and the same stands posted on 24.11.2020 before the Honourable Family Court. Vellore, Vellore District, State of Tamil Nadu for respondent Grace Rebecca's appearance on 24.11.2020 at 10.00 AM and the respondent is hereby directed to appear before the Honourable Court in person, failing which this petition will be treated as exparte and an Order will be passed against the respondent.
S. ANGELIS, M.A , M.L.,
ADVOCATE / COMMISSIONER OF OATHS,
461, New Addl. Law Chambers, High Court, Chennai- 600 104.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Please take notice that my client, **M/s.Jaya Sreenivasam Estates,** represented by its Partners have intended to purchase the land and dilapidated tannery building situate at No.41, Karaima Nagar, Kundrathur, Chennai-600 069 forming part of Kundrathur Village, Tambaram Taluk, Kancheepuram District. Comprised in Survey Nos.1/12,4/2,4/3,5/2,5/3,5/4, 5/5,6/1,1379/1,1379/8. Admeasuring an extent of 8 acres and 87.50 cents covered under Patta bearing No.12017 lying within the Registration District of South Chennai and Sub-Registration District of Kundrathur from **M/s.Namaste Exports Limited** who represented that except the subsisting loan availed from **Federal Bank.** No other encumbrances including statutory dues, claim or demand from any third parties touching upon the title to the aforesaid property. If any third party (s) or statutory authorities are having any stake or claim against the aforesaid property, shall lodge the objections with documentary evidence to the undersigned within 21 days from the date of publication of this notice and if no objections received from any quarters, it shall be inferred that no claim whatsoever attached to the aforesaid property except the said loan and my client shall be free to proceed to complete the sale transaction with the aforesaid present owner certainly after discharging the aforesaid loan.
Date: 24.10.2020 **M.L.Ganesh.M.L.**, Advocate, No.66, Additional Law Chambers High Court Buildings, Chennai - 104 Mob: 9841014667

PUBLIC NOTICE
It is hereby notified that My client **Sri. N Kuppu Swamy** is proposing to purchase the property compositely described in the schedule hereunder, from its owner **Sri. Anand H H.** If any, individual, institution or any person has any subsisting claim, right or title in respect of the schedule property, such person may contact the undersigned within Seven days from the publication of this notice with all relevant documents supporting such claim. If no such claims are presented our client will proceed to purchase the Constructed 3 floor Schedule Property and it shall be deemed that the same is free from all claims and encumbrances.
SCHEDULE
All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No. 10, Old Katha No 163, New Katha No. 163/10 **situated at Byrathi Village, Bidarahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore:**
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South by : Site No. 21
Johnson Moras, Advocate,
Sri Sai Krupa Complex,#2, First Floor, Gedalahalli Main Road, Kothnur, Bangalore-560 077

PUBLIC NOTICE
My client Ms. Mumtaz Reddy, D/o Shaik Ahmed, residing at Villa # 1(B-Type), "Prestige Bougainvillea", bearing Municipal No:548/653, SyNo:58, Pattandur Agrahara, BBMP ward No:83, Bangalore-560 037 has lost the original documents of title deeds viz., **(a)** Agreement to Sell dated: 11-10-2006 **(b)** Construction Agreement dated: 11-10-2006 of her Villa # 1(B-Type), "Prestige Bougainvillea", bearing Municipal No:548/653, SyNo:58, Pattandur Agrahara, BBMP ward No:83, Bangalore-560 037 and a complaint has also been lodged with the Whitefield Police Station, Bangalore, as those aforementioned documents of title have been lost on 23-10-2020 vide Complaint no: PO0258200601410
Any person/s having found and are having custody of those documents of title shall handover to the undersigned or to the owner Ms. Mumtaz Reddy and if such persons having any claim in respect of the above property shall lodge their objections within 7 days from today, failing which it shall be deemed that nobody has any kind of claim/sand the certified copies of the same obtained from the competent authority shall be treated as original.
Date: 24-10-2020
Sd/- Shyam Sunder Bajpekar, Advocate, (KAR 78/93)
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The TCMPF Ltd., invite **TWO PART TENDERS** by way of **OFF LINE / E-SUBMISSION** to supply 2020 MTs of Compound Cattle feed (Pellet) per month to Villupuram, Cuddalore, Vellore, Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri, Karur, Virudhunagar & Thoothukudi District Milk Unions under their own fund.

Sl No.	Name of the item / Work	Pre-bid Meeting	Tender Submission	Technical Bid Opening
1	**Supply of 2020 MTs Compound Cattle feed (Pellet) per month to Villupuram, Cuddalore, Vellore, Dharmapuri, Krishnagiri, Karur, Virudhunagar & Thoothukudi District Milk unions under their own fund**	18.11.2020 at 11.30 AM	03.12.2020 upto 02.00 PM	03.12.2020 at 03.00 PM

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DIPR/3990/TENDER/ 2020 **MANAGING DIRECTOR**

Government of Tamil Nadu - **BODINAYAKANUR MUNICIPALITY**
Roc No: 885/2020/E1 **E-TENDERING NOTICE** Dated : 23.10.2020
For Bodinayakanur Municipality in Tamil Nadu sanctioned under Centenary Fund the Municipal Commissioner, Bodinayakanur invites sealed bids from the eligible and qualified contractors in two cover system online and off line upto **02.12.2020 - 3.00 pm.**

Sl. No	Name of work	Estimate Amount (Rs.in Crores)	Tender document available	Pre-bid meeting	Tender opening	Period of Completion
1	In Bodinayakanur Municipality Building, Roads, Flood Protection Wall, Storm Water and Bio-mining works	Rs.2.50 Crores to Rs.6.50 Crores (13 works)	From 31.10.2020 to 01.12.2020 3.00PM	11.11.2020 at 11.00 am Municipal office Bodinayakaur	02.12.2020 at 3.30 p.m.	3 Months to 1 Year

Tender document and schedule available in **http://tntenders.gov.in** and **http://municipality.tn.gov.in/tenders** can be downloaded at free of cost from **31.10.2020** The Bidding document will be received by the Commissioner, **Bodinayakanur municipality** by way of off-line and e-submission also upto **02.12.2020** by **3.00 PM.** Earnest Money Deposit, **1% (one)** of the value of work should be submitted along with the tender. If e-tender, the EMD should be dropped in the tender box before closure time, it is at **3.00 PM** on **02.12.2020** Evaluation of bids will be done as per Tender Transparency Act 1998 of Government of TamilNadu and rules there under. If the said tender date happens to be a holiday, the tender will be opened on the next working day. The Municipal Commissioner reserves the rights to accept or reject any bidding document at any time without assigning any reason thereof. Eligibility criteria other details can be had from the municipal office bodinayakanur. For other details contact e-mail address : **commr.bodi@tn.gov.in** Contact No. : **04546-280228, 282007**
DIPR/3999/TENDER/2020 **Commissioner, Bodinayakanur Municipality**

$555.12 bn was India's forex reserve as of October 16, according to RBI data. This was an increase of $3.615 billion over the previous week

India's IT firms plan to increase hiring in the US

Companies such as TCS, Infosys, Wipro, and HCL Tech plan to increase local recruitment

BISMAH MALIK @ Bengaluru

ALTHOUGH tight-lipped over the US government's recent decisions on HI-B and other non-immigrant visas, India's top IT service companies have reduced their dependency on these visas and stepped up their efforts to localise their workforce in the US.

At a time when these companies will need to pay anywhere between 35-40 per cent extra to the H-1B hires as mandated by the US Labour department, Indian firms have been looking to actively hire local talent.

Over the course of the last four years, the headcount in the US for top IT Indian companies like TCS, Infosys, HCL Tech and Wipro has more than doubled. Indian companies are likely to hire more than 40,000 US workers in the next couple of years with stricter visa regimes and corresponding wage hikes now in place.

Analysts say that despite localising the workforce and accelerating offshore projects, the decision may impact profit margins at a time when companies are already cost-cutting to offset the impact of the pandemic. Taking the lead is Infosys, which has the maximum share amongst IT service providers for H-1B visas. The company has said that it will hire 12,000 more local workers by 2022 which will bring its total headcount in US to 25,000. Infosys, which had twice the number of H-1B visa hires compared to peers like TCS, Wipro, and HCL Tech, also faced the largest visa denials at 5 per cent in FY20.

"Infosys has been intensely focused on creating jobs in the U.S. for the past three years, and I am proud that this new commitment to hire 12,000 American workers by 2022 expands on that previous initiative. We are excited to grow our presence in the U.S. as the digital transformation journeys of our clients accelerate," Salil Parekh, CEO, Infosys had said.

Tata Consultancy Services, said in its annual report for 2019-20 that it has de-risked its business in the wake of changing visa regimes and has now a total of 20,000 local US workers.

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Salil Parekh, CEO, Infosys

The company is also heavily focused on its 25:25 model, aiming to make it mandatory for only 25 percent of its workforce to operate from offices by 2025.

HCL Tech's CEO C Vijayakumar also said during the Q2FY21 earnings call that that the impact of hiked wages for H-1B hires will be felt next year, when the visa renewal process will begin. The firm is actively training as well as recruiting college freshers and experienced professionals for various positions in its US centres.

NEWSCOPE

TANISHQ AND THE THREAT TO CREATIVE ENTREPRENEURSHIP

GURBIR SINGH

IT'S now pretty clear that religious bigotry has become a drag on the economic future of the country. While communal tension, and the riots that follow, create economic lockdowns, few realize how paralyzing religious/caste intolerance and hate is on the creative faculties of a nation.

Nothing is more illustrative of this in recent times than the now-withdrawn Tanishq ad. The 55-second television spot is built on the company's 'Ekatvam' campaign promoting communal harmony. The ad agency 'What's Your Problem' has sensitively built a promotion of Tanishq jewelry around the message of a Muslim family celebrating the 'Godbharai' or baby shower of their pregnant Hindu daughter-in-law with the full regalia of Hindu custom.

Instead of welcoming the message of communal harmony, bigots churned up a huge online hate campaign claiming the ad promoted 'Love-Jihad', and bullied the Tata Group company to withdraw the ad film. In a statement Tanishq said it had no option "keeping in mind the hurt sentiments and well-being of our employees, partners and store staff."

DOUBLE STANDARDS

Indeed, it is a dark day for a country where the $120 billion Tata Group was forced to bow to the perceived power of a couple of trolls.

Looking beyond this absurdity, where is the commercial freedom when creativity has to seek certification from a variety of pressure groups before it hits the market? Feature films have been for years been subject to both 'official' and 'unofficial' censorship. The tragedy is that now even serious commercial and marketing campaigns have to bow to shadowy gobbelsian control.

Much of the anger of these purveyors of 'religious goodness' is selective. Where are these custodians of 'clean culture' when raunchy advertisements tease men's libidos and reduce the women to the level of sex objects.

The Amul Macho underwear ad of yore has a bride washing the garment, and in full public display before a bevvy of other women, gets into orgasmic contortions. Another 'Axe Deodorant' ad has hundreds of women, wearing next to nothing, pursuing a man's scent through jungles and rivers with such gusto that would put wild animals to shame. How is it that thousands of hours of such crass 'sexist' marketing is tolerated? Aren't these TVCs polluting our Hindu mores and customs?

It is to the credit of various industry bodies that they stood behind Tanishq and the freedom of entrepreneurship. The Advertising Standards Council of India (ASCI), for instance, said "that nothing in the advertisement was indecent or vulgar or repulsive." The India Chapter of the International Advertising Association (IAA) took a stronger line, calling on the government to safeguard the right to freedom of expression under Article 19(1)(a) of the Constitution of India. The statement called for 'exemplary action' by government, and demanded that businesses be provided a "safe environment to communicate their brand and advertising messages."

MEEK SURRENDER

What was disappointing was the meek surrender by Tanishq itself. The Titan Group company, a subsidiary of the Tatas, has both brand and commercial power behind it. The Tata Group is not known to bend to bullying easily. Perhaps it was fear that its employees would be harmed.

The Tatas are aware that these troll armies are paper tigers with barks worse than their bites. An IT cell of 100-200 persons can generate 2,000-3,000 tweets of ghost people, enough for a hate hashtag to trend. By the same measure all Chinese phone makers should have fled India by now!

TAPAS RANJAN

In fact, after Union Minister for Home Affairs Amit Shah put out the signal on the Tanishq controversy that "there shouldn't be any form of overactivism", the jewelry company should have dug in its heels even more.

It is unfortunate that a whole lot of seemingly liberal industry pundits took to playing 'neutral' and pretended that Tanishq had crossed the line into 'political' and 'religious' territory. Brand 'expert' Harish Bijoor pleads that "brands need to take a step back. return to the basics of branding, rather than push the envelope of 'woke' at this point of time."

Samit Sinha, managing partner of Alchemist Brand Consulting, warns creative agencies that the "backlash against their communication can gather momentum very quickly and spiral out of control with severe unintended consequences." These defensive positions are allowing the culture marshals to put a foot in the door; and before long the advertisement industry may have to accept censors sitting in their offices, vetting the ad copy and certifying the creatives.

The time for push back is now. Amit Akali, creative head of the agency What's-Your-Problem? that produced the ad film, says that there is a counter movement of thousands who, despite the ad film being withdrawn, are watching it on YouTube, and sharing it.

Thousands are buying Tanishq jewelry in support of the brand. These kinds of informal movements need an institutional voice.

EXPRESS READ

ICICI Bank shuts down banking operations in Sri Lanka

New Delhi: ICICI Bank on Saturday said it has shut down operations in Sri Lanka after getting approval from the Monetary Board of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, "The Director of Bank Supervision being satisfied with the bank complying with the terms and conditions, the licence issued... is cancelled," the bank said.

Tata Motors crosses 40 lakh cumulative production milestone

New Delhi: Tata Motors on Saturday said its passenger vehicle vertical has crossed 40 lakh cumulative production milestone, nearly three decades after it rolled out its first model in the segment—Tata Sierra SUV in 1991. The company had achieved the 10 lakh production mark in 2005-06 and 30 lakh milestone in 2015.

IL&FS resolves ₹1,460 cr debt in Q2, misses target

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TWO years after taking control of insolvent Infrastructure Leasing and Financial Services (IL&FS), the company's new board has resolved ₹19,100 crore, or roughly 19 per cent, of the company's debt as of the end of the September quarter.

In its second quarterly asset resolution status update, IL&FS said it has addressed ₹1,460 crore of additional debt during July-September period by way of selling its education business, recovery from non-IL&FS group entities, increase in cash balances, and debt repayment in green (solvent) entities. The company added that it will roll-over the ₹7,300 crore shortfall compared to its target to subsequent quarters.

"The delay has been mainly caused on account of significant impact of COVID-19, which has added time and logistical complexities in the process of completing discussions with stakeholders and in obtaining approvals from lenders, regulators and judicial authorities," IL&FS said.

However, the new management of the infrastructure financier maintained its target of addressing ₹50,000 crore, out of the group's outstanding debt of over ₹1 lakh crore, by March 2021. The additional debt that the company expects to address in the quarter includes resolving ₹8,150 crore through a proposed Infrastructure Investment Trust (InvIT) for which it has received an "in-principle" approval.

IL&FS' official target is to resolve ₹56,300 crore debt this fiscal year, against an earlier target of ₹57,240 crore. Quarter wise, the revised target of debt resolution is ₹32,300 crore for Q3, and another ₹18,000 crore for the March quarter.

LNG MARKET

Covid impact on local gas output leads to rising imports

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DELAYS in completing the Kochi-Mangalore pipeline is likely to impact capacity utilisation for Petronet LNG's Kochi terminal, according to analysts, and add to a recent trend of rising gas imports due to low domestic production.

A recent report from brokerage Motilal Oswal Financial Services says that the impact of the pandemic has pushed back the completion of the Kochi-Mangaluru gas pipeline to the end of 2020 and this could result in capacity utilisation of the Kochi terminal falling from 30 per cent to 21 per cent in the third quarter.

While both the Dahej and Kochi terminals have begun operating at pre-COVID levels since the first week of June, this is due to "higher gas offtake from sectors like fertilizers and power, which are the clear leaders, while city gas distribution (CGD) is a laggard", the analysts wrote.

Domestic gas production, meanwhile, is down 10 per cent year-on-year in August and 13 per cent lower for the fiscal year to date. However, total gas consumption has only fallen 8 per cent year-on-year in August and 3 per cent YTD, which has resulted in the share of gas imports rising to 58-59 per cent during the period compared to the 52 per cent five-year average.

"We expect imports to increase further as demand from refining and other segments normalize in the coming months, aided by new fertilizer plants," the brokerage said, adding, "(if) domestic gas production remains hushed and CGD demand returns to pre-Covid levels (of ~30.5mmscmd), imports could form ~60 per cent of total consumption".

Govt may undo LTCG on start-up investments

JAYANTA ROY CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

THE Finance Ministry may accept a Parliamentary committee's recommendation on removing Long Term Capital Gains (LTCG) tax on investments by funds in unlisted shares of start-ups. The move is an effort to incentivise domestic angel and venture capital funds to invest more in new Indian firms and broaden their funding sources.

Top revenue officials said, "the recommendation of the standing committee has taken on an urgency now as the Delhi bench of the Income Tax Appellate Tribunal has recently has held that indirect transfer of Indian assets through a structured deal abroad will not attract capital gain."

The Standing Committee on Finance had last month suggested that ILTCG on sale of unlisted securities issued by Indian start-ups should be exempt for at least two years, to give them parity with listed securities and to incentivise Indian funds to invest in start-ups. Most foreign angel, venture and other funds have been investing in Indian start-ups through deals registered in low tax countries such as Singapore.

However, of late, Indian tax authorities have been demanding LTCG for these deals, leading to a spate of litigation. However, the Delhi bench of the ITAT's ruling in a case concerning Augustus Capital Pte Ltd, which had routed its investments and sale of equity as an incubator in Indian companies through Singapore, has said that LTCG could not be imposed on the firm since Explanation 6 and 7 of Section 9 (1)(i) of the Income Tax Act allow small shareholders, such as VC funds who do not transfer management control and deal in less than 5 per cent of the equity of a firm, to be out of the ambit of the section for taxation purposes.

Tribunal judgement may result policy tweaks

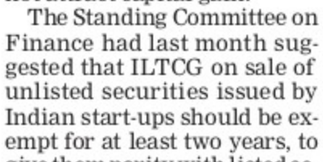
While Indian tax authorities have been demanding LTCG on start-up funding through deals registered in low-tax countries, the Income Tax tribunal has ruled that these agreements fall outside the ambit of taxation

"Under such circumstances it makes no sense to say that Indian venture funds should pay 20 per cent LTCG while foreign funds should not because they structure their deals abroad," pointed out revenue department officials. "We are consequently thinking of doing away with LTCG (in these cases," they added.

Business & Beyond

GRSE-built ASW Corvette INS Kavaratti commissioned

INS Kavaratti, the last in the series of four Anti-Submarine Warfare Corvettes' (ASWC) built for the Indian Navy by Garden Reach Shipbuilders and Engineers Limited (GRSE), Kolkata, has been commissioned. According to GRSE, it had delivered this weapon-intensive platform to the Indian Navy in February this year. INS Kavaratti was commissioned at Visakhapatnam by the Chief of the Army Staff, General MM Naravane, PVSM, AVSM, SM, VSM, ADC.



65th Railway Week Observed in CLW

A function was organised to celebrate the 65th Railway Week on October 15 at Chittaranjan Locomotice Works. Praveen Kumar Mishra, GM, CLW, presided over the function as Chief Guest and Sunita Mishra, President, CLW-WWO was the Guest of Honour.

PNB conducts Digital Apnayen Day

Punjab National Bank conducted a "Digital Apnayen Day" at their branches throughout the nation on October 22 in an effort to create awareness on the public sector lender's digital products along with a promotional strategy to maximize digital transactions such as internet and mobile banking, etc. Branch-Incharge of the Madurai Anna Nagar branch Sivasankar M handed over a debit card to one of the premium customers of the branch as a part of the bank's digital initiative.

UCO Bank records `30.11 cr net profit in Q2

Private sector lender UCO Bank has made a net profit of ` 30.11 crore during the quarter ended September 2020 as against a net loss of ` 891.98 Crore in the corresponding quarter of the previous year. According to the bank, its operating profit for the quarter stood at `1,330.32 crore as against `1,207.04 crore the previous year. "Operating Profit for the quarter is the highest in the last 22 quarters," the bank said in a statement.

PRICE NO BAR

More than 2 lakh premium bikes sold between April-September

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

MORE than 2 lakh motorcycles were sold between April-September this year in the premium segment (250cc-800cc). Many automakers tried to increase their presence in the lucrative segment, but none have managed to challenge the might of Royal Enfield.

According to data released by the Society of Indian Automobile Manufacturers (SIAM), 204,081 units of premium bikes were sold during the first half of FY21 as against 342,515 units sold during the corresponding period last fiscal.

While the segment's sales in the first quarter were fully disrupted by Covid-19 induced lockdown, it has now recovered to pre-covid levels. Subsegment wise, maximum sales took place between 250cc-350cc engine capacity bikes at 189,853 units. Royal Enfield faced almost zero competition in the segment and accounted for over 99 per cent of the total sales at 188,373 units.

The home-grown brand is now all set to launch the much awaited Meteor 350 motorcycle on November 6. The Meteor 350 is going to be a direct replacement to the Thunderbird 350X motorcycle and is expected to be priced below ₹1.85 lakh (ex-showroom).

Going ahead, experts feel that the segment will become more competitive as rival two-wheeler makers are launching bikes that not only looks like an RE bike but also comes at similar price range. "Jawa has become a challenger to RE bikes in certain belts. It has certain brand appeal but its reach is nowhere near to RE. Bajaj Auto and Triumph Motorcycles' upcoming mid-weight bikes can give serious competition to RE bikes as they possess required expertise, brand appeal and reach," said an auto analyst requesting anonymity.

In 2019, Bajaj Auto and Britain's iconic brand Triumph had announced forming a non-equity joint venture to manufacture 300-700 cc motorcycles which are expected to hit the market in 2021.

Japan's Honda Motorcycle and Scooter India (HMSI) is also eyeing to capture this market. Last month it had unveiled its Honda H'ness CB 350 while its prices were announced on 8 October, 2020. The motorcycle is available in two variants—DLX and DLX Pro. The base version is priced at ₹1.85 lakh while the Pro variant is available for ₹1.90 lakh (ex-showroom, Gurugram).

Record-chasing Hamilton on pole

Lewis Hamilton will start on pole for Sunday's Portuguese Grand Prix where he is bidding to win a record 92nd race. The Mercedes driver snatched pole in the dying seconds of qualifying on Saturday from his teammate Valtteri Bottas. This was the Briton's 97th pole of his career.

KNIGHT RIDERS OF THE STORM

Varun fifer after Narine-Rana blitz takes Kolkata to big win against Delhi

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

IN this edition of the Indian Premier League, teams have had a set template. Preserve wickets before going hard at the death. Kolkata Knight Riders flipped that narrative in surreal circumstances to go fourth in the table on Saturday. They once again lost their top-order for not too many — 42/3 after 7.2 overs to be exact — but that's when Brendon McCullum, known for his out of the box thinking, sent in Sunil Narine.

With Nitish Rana, Kolkata's fifth opener this term, for company, Narine decided to counterattack with gay abandon. Sides usually become reactive after losing wickets early, but the two-time champions decided to go on the offensive.

Even though they were helped by some baffling captaincy from Shreyas Iyer — for starters Narine wasn't buffeted by short-pitched bowling — the duo made hay. R Ashwin, one of Delhi's most economical bowlers, leaked 45 runs in three overs. It was similar numbers for Marcus Stoinis as well. By the time Narine fell, the partnership was worth 115. In the seven overs from the eighth to 15th, the pair scored 98 runs.

Varun Chakravarthy | SPORTZPICS

This assault allowed them to set a target of 195 — 20 runs above par in Abu Dhabi — against the second-placed outfit. The scoreboard pressure showed right from the start as Pat Cummins caught Ajinkya Rahane plumb first ball. After that, Varun Chakravarthy assumed centre-stage. Knowing he had a big total to play with, something he hasn't always had, he brought his bag of tricks to help Kolkata win by 59 runs and claimed the IPL's first five-wicket haul this year. The identity of the batsmen — Rishabh Pant, Stoinis, Axar Patel, Shimron Hetmyer and Iyer — was right up there in terms of quality. His figures of 5/20 showed why he came in with the moniker of 'mystery spinner' ahead of the 2019 auctions.

Bowling in T20 cricket is a matter of understanding angles, protecting the short boundaries and making the opposition play to your strengths. All the batsmen who perished tried to clear the boundary, but went against the spin. The Tamil Nadu bowler, who has several variations, backed himself by bowling the googly. Even though the batsmen had no problems picking him, they were either targetting the short boundaries on the leg side or intent on clearing their front leg to go downtown. Most of them ended up hitting against the spin to be caught in the deep.

Brief scores: KKR 194/6 in 20 ovs (Rana 81, Narine 64) **bt** DC 135/9 in 20 ovs (Iyer 47, Varun 5/20, Cummins 3/17).

IPL TABLE

Team	M	W	L	Pts	NRR
MI	10	7	3	14	1.448
DC	11	7	4	14	0.434
RCB	10	7	3	14	0.182
KKR	11	6	5	12	-0.476
KXIP	11	5	6	10	-0.103
SRH	11	4	7	8	0.029
RR	11	4	7	8	-0.62
CSK	11	3	8	6	-0.733

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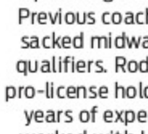

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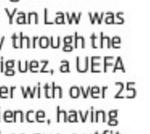

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Md Sporting hire Spaniard as coach

KOLKATA: Mohammedan Sporting on Saturday signed Spaniard Jose Carlos Rodriguez as their head coach for the upcoming I-League season. Previous coach Yan Law was sacked midway through the qualifiers. Rodriguez, a UEFA pro-license holder with over 25 years of experience, having worked with I-League outfit Shilliong Lajong FC in the past.

Thomas takes slender lead in Zozo golf

THOUSAND OAKS: Justin Thomas went from a fast finish one day to a fast start the next, and it carried him to a 7-under 65 and a one-shot lead in the Zozo Championship at Sherwood. Richy Werenski shot a 61, the lowest score in a tour-sanctioned competition at Sherwood.

Chris Jordan picked up two wickets in the 19th over which changed the fate of the match | SPORTZPICS

126 too much for SRH

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE

SUNRISERS Hyderabad lost six wickets for four runs in a spectacular late collapse to hand Kings XI Punjab an unlikely victory in the IPL in Dubai on Saturday. It lifted Punjab to fifth on the table. Hyderabad are sixth.

Hyderabad seemed to have it under control after David Warner got them off to a brisk start. The captain hit a 20-ball 35. Even after his fall, at 56/1 in the seventh over, they looked on course to overhaul Punjab's tally of 126/7. But leg-spinners Ravi Bishnoi (4-0-13-1) and Murugan Ashwin (4-0-27-1) bowled some miserly overs, wickets started falling and once Vijay Shankar was out for 26, Punjab made a dramatic comeback. Some safe catching in the deep helped their cause. Arshdeep Singh and Chris Jordan played their part in thwarting Hyderabad. Both finished with three wickets each. When 19 runs were needed off the last two overs, these two were up to the task. The Hyderabad bowlers had done a good job in the first half by restricting Punjab to a low total. But their effort proved inadequate.

Brief scores: Punjab 126/7 in 20 ovs (Pooran 32 n.o, Rashid 2/14) bt Hyderabad 114 in 19.5 ovs (Warner 35, Jordan 3/17, Arshdeep 3/23).

Sunday fest

Bottom-dwellers CSK, RR look to keep alive chances of play-off berths.

CSK VS RCB

FOR OLD TIMES' SAKE

Match after match, Chennai have hit a new low. It is impossible to slide further down as they take on Bangalore in a must-win clash. A loss will end all mathematical possibilities of qualifying for the knockouts for the team languishing at the bottom of the table. Bangalore are flying high and are in line to make the play-offs comfortably.

HEAD TO HEAD
RCB won **9**
CSK won **16**
No result **1**

RR VS MI

SEEKING LATE LIFT

Even in the absence of Rohit Sharma, Mumbai Indians comfortably defeated Chennai Super Kings. They are easily the in-form side, capable of putting up any total with a bowling unit to back the batsmen. This match is more important for Rajasthan, who need a win to stay alive in the tournament. Their batting continues to lack consistency, even though there is no lack of ammunition on paper. After starting on a high, Sanju Samson's form has nose-dived.

National TT camp in Sonepat for 42 days

AYANTAN CHOWDHURY @ New Delhi

AFTER multiple attempts and change of locations, the national table tennis camp will begin from October 28. The 42-day camp will be held inside the Delhi Public School premises in Sonepat.

Five male paddlers (A Sharath Kamal, Manush Shah, Manav Thakkar, Sudhanshu Grover, Jubin Kumar) and six female paddlers (Anusha Kutumbale, Diya Chitale, Sutirtha Mukherjee, Archana Kamath, Takeme Sarkar, Kaushani Nath) will be part of the camp. They will be joined by coaches Arup Basak and Sunil Babras and masseur Amarjit Singh. Everyone will be staying in the residential facilities of DPS. A few more were approached for the camp. Multiple Commonwealth Games medallist Manika Batra declined. Harmeet Desai and G Sathiyan are in Europe and as per their plans, it will not be possible for them to join up with their compatriots. Another senior player is suffering from Covid-19 and was not included in the list.

This is a start at least. Thanks to TTFI and SAI, at least the camp is finally starting. And we can build from here

Sharath, TT player

All the players will need to submit letters of consent and undergo RT-PCR tests 96 hours prior to arrival. They will be allowed to travel after getting a negative result. In case of an emergency, there is provision of being tested upon arrival. Ticketing arrangements will be made by Sports Authority of India. The camp has been sanctioned at a cost of approximately ₹18 lakh (plus air travel and medical expenses).

Initially it was believed that SAI Bengaluru would be the location for the camp but the centre has no facilities for table tennis and a lot of procurement was needed. So it was decided to shift it to Sonepat which already has facilities. With regards to the duration, players were of the opinion that it should be a smaller, with more players. "This is a start at least. Thanks to TTFI and SAI, at least the camp is finally starting. And we can build from here," Sharath said.

Players plan to be there first and then they will have discussions with the federation and SAI whether to shorten the duration. "We might have these discussions after a few training sessions. We will be in a better position to judge our best possible requirements," Sharath added.

Real Madrid players celebrate Luca Modric's goal against Barca | AFP

Real post rousing win over Barca in Clasico

AGENCIES @ Barcelona

SERGIO Ramos scored the winning goal in Real Madrid's 3-1 win at Barcelona after a video review awarded him a penalty in the Spanish league on Saturday.

Ramos restored Madrid's advantage in the 63rd from the spot after a brush with Barcelona's Clement Lenglet in the area. After consulting the video screen on the touch line, referee Juan Martinez ruled that Lenglet had impeded Ramos from contesting a high ball by grabbing his shirt.

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Zinedine Zidane is unbeaten in his six Clasicos at Camp Nou as Real Madrid manager in all competitions (W3 D3). Only Miguel Muñoz (7) has won more away Clasicos for Real Madrid than him in all competitions.

Federico Valverde opened the scoring for Madrid in the fifth minute when he fired in a pass from Karim Benzema.

Barcelona's Ansu Fati levelled three minutes later from an attack cued by Lionel Messi. Barcelona were taking the match to Madrid's area when Ramos was sent to the spot by the VAR review.

Luka Modric capped the win for Madrid in the 90th with Barcelona searching for an equaliser. Madrid leads the league with 13 points. Barca have 7 with a game in hand. It was the first "clasico" match played without fans since the Spanish league closed all stadiums to the public after since the start of the coronavirus pandemic.

Man City settle for point; Man United, Chelsea draw

LONDON: Manchester City dropped more points against West Ham to leave them languishing in the lower half of the Premier League table. Substitute Phil Foden rescued a 1-1 draw at the London Stadium but the disappointing result means Pep Guardiola's team have taken just five points from their past four matches. City remain favourites to snatch the Premier League title back from Liverpool. In a late match, Manchester United and Chelsea played out a goalless draw at Old Trafford.

Plan was to attack early, says Pollard

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @ Chennai

KIERON Pollard is a naturally aggressive batsman. Leading Mumbai Indians in place of the injured Rohit Sharma on Friday, he showed attacking instincts as captain as well. The fields he set for opening bowlers Trent Boult and Jasprit Bumrah put the Chennai Super Kings top-order under pressure. After those early wickets, it was game, set and match Mumbai.

Pollard said at the post-match media interaction that he was keen to see the back of Ambati Rayudu, who has a good record against Mumbai. "It was good to see the bowlers go out and execute the plans. We wanted them to go out and set the tone and they did that really well. It was important to get Rayudu as he has always performed well against us. So we decided to go for him with the new ball and it worked for us," said Pollard.

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Kieron Pollard, Mumbai Indians player

The four-time champions are locked in a three-way battle for the top two spots with Delhi Capitals and Royal Challengers Bangalore. All are on 14 points, with net run rate separating them. Pollard said he is not thinking about that yet. The team's focus is on Sunday's game against Rajasthan Royals.

"Focus area is always to improve as a team, what we need to do to improve as a team so that when we come up against top teams, we know what to do. But we don't need to think about Bangalore and Delhi as of yet as before that we face Rajasthan Royals. As a team, we want to take one step at a time," Pollard said.

The giant from Trinidad was modest about his 15-match winning streak as captain. "Thanks for counting. I wasn't. Captaincy is part and parcel of the job. You don't have to be the leader to be a leader. I have played enough T20s to know a thing or two. It was a matter of me stepping in and trying to do the best for the team. Came off tonight. Just a matter of making right decisions, not giving them freebies. Wanted to bowl them out under 100 but Sam (Curran) batted well. Two-three wickets early on puts you into the game. But to get four-five is fantastic," observed Pollard.

There is no update on Rohit's hamstring injury. A team statement before Friday's game said the management was "taking it one day at a time". If he doesn't play, Pollard will continue to lead the side.

Tokyo Olympic swimming venue ready

TOKYO: Tokyo opened its new Olympic swimming venue on Saturday, and Tokyo Governor Yuriko Koike pointed out that it was finished eight months ago, just weeks before the Tokyo Olympics were postponed until next year by the coronavirus. "We have now completed all the new venues," Koike said. Now comes the hard part for Tokyo Olympic organisers: figuring out how to run the Olympics, nine months from now, in the middle of a pandemic. Tokyo officials and the IOC have been studying contingencies for months.

Zverev beats Mannarino to book semis berth

COLOGNE (GERMANY): Top-seeded Alexander Zverev defeated Adrian Mannarino 6-4, 6-7 (5), 6-4 to reach the Cologne Championship semifinals on Friday. Zverev missed the chance to settle the match when he served at 5-3 in the second set, but eventually prevailed after 2 hours, 40 minutes to move another step closer to his second Cologne title in as many weeks. The German city is hosting back-to-back ATP competitions that were added to the pandemic-disrupted schedule. Zverev faces Italian wild card Jannik Sinner.

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I, **Ms. TASNEEM NAYEEM,** D/o. M. Nayeem Ahmed, Aged about 20 years, Residing at No. 104, 2nd Main Road, Near RTO Office, Upkar Residency, Ullal Town, Bangalore North, Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560 091, I state that my name in the passport is entered as SAKHIFA TASNEEM and the said name has been renounced/relinquished/ abandoned long back and I have been called **TASNEEM NAYEEM** and the same has been entered / used in all my records / documents and writings. Vide affidavit dated 25-10-2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary G. Kaspar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) MURTAZA HUSAIN, Residing at No. G2, Burhani Flora Bohra Layout, Gottigere, Bengaluru-560083, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) MURTAZA MUSTAFA HUSAIN** vide affidavit dated 21/10/20 sworn before Notary R.Basavaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SIDDANAHALLI KEMPEGOWDA SHASHIDHAR S/o LATE KEMPEGOWDA,** R/at No. 302, 3rd Floor, "Sai Krupa Elite", 7th Cross, Wilson Garden, Bengaluru-560 027 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **B.K. SHASHIDHARA** to **SIDDANAHALLI KEMPEGOWDA SHASHIDHAR,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SIDDANAHALLI KEMPEGOWDA SHASHIDHAR** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 23.10.2020, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B.R. SHASHIKALA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SIDDHARTH NAIDU PAGADALA,** R/a, No.743/2001, 2nd Floor, Room No.2001, 2nd Main, Maranna Compound, Near Eshwara Temple, Mathikere, Bangalore-560054, Karnataka, India, have changed my name from **PAGADALA ASHOK KUMAR** (Old Name) to **SIDDHARTH NAIDU PAGADALA** (New Name), vide Affidavit dated:24-10-2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary, B.M.Chandrashekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) TAHER AHMED JAMEEL AHMED, Residing at Flat No. 402, Silver Springs Apts, Bannerghatta Road, Bohra Layout, Gottigere, Bengaluru-560083, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) TAHER JAMEEL AHMED** vide affidavit dated 21/10/2020 sworn before Notary R.Basavaraja, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHILPA .U,** W/o Rakesh G., R/at No. 204, West Wing, V S Enclave Apartment, 6th G Cross, Balaji Layout, Near Topin Town, Supermarket, Kaggadasapura, CV Raman Nagar Post, Bengaluru-560 093, have changed my name to **SHILPA RAKESH**, vide affidavit dated 23-10-2020, before Notary **A R Muneer Ahmed,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **E.F.SAMUEL EBRAHIM,** R/a, No.23, 1st Floor, 5th Cross, Bhavani Nagar, Dairy Circle, Near Christ School, DRC Post,Bangalore-560029, Karnataka, India, have changed my name from **JAIVER KAMA** (Old Name) to **E.F.SAMUEL EBRAHIM** (New Name), vide Affidavit dated:24-10-2020, sworn before Advocate & Notary, B.M.Chandrashekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, MEHER MOOTHAT SAWHNEY, aged about 18 years, D/o Sujatha Menon, R/at Flat No.205, Silver Nest Apartment, Kudlu Road, Bangalore-560102, Karnataka, shall henceforth be known as **MEHER MENON** vide affidavit dated 24.10.2020 before notary B M CHANDRASHEKAR, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, VIBHA. T, aged about 20 years, R/at No.356, 7th Main, 4th Cross, BSK 1st Stage, Srinivasanagar, Bangalore 560 050, have changed my name from **VIBHA RAJ** to **"VIBHA T"**. vide affidavit dated 23.10.2020 sworn to before Notary **C. N. Chandra Shekar,** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **NIZAMUDDIN PASHA,** S/o, Mohammed Nazeer, R/a, No.578, 1st Cross, R.K.Hegde Nagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore-560077, Karnataka, have changed my name from **NAWAZ PASHA** (Old Name) to **NIZAMUDDIN PASHA** (New Name), vide affidavit dated:23-10-2020, Sworn before Advocate & Notary, S R Nanjunda Swamy, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I kavyalakshmi Y.N w/o Shiva prakasha H.L. residing at # 487 ,Rudrappa Badavane, piriyapatna town, Mysore dist, Karnataka - 571107 have changed my name to **KAVYA PRAKASH .N.** vide affidavit dt 21-10-2020 sworn before advocate/ notary C.K. Anupama Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BHOOMIKA BHANDARI**, D/o. Prem Bhandari, Aged about 20 years, Residing at No. 10, 4th Cross, Vinaykanagar, VTC, Bangalore, have changed my name from **BHOOMIKA BHANDARI** to **AMREEN** and I am converting Hindu - Bhandari (caste) to Muslim Community now onwards. Vide affidavit 20-10-2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary Vijayamurthy R. Sonde, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) RIFFATH UNNISA, W/o. Mushtaq Ahmed, residing at No. 30, 7th A Cross, Kanaka Nagar, R.T.Nagar, Bengaluru-560032, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) RIFATH UNNISA** vide affidavit dated 24/10/2020 sworn before Notary Prakash.C., Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ANUSHA KUMAR ALAKUNTE**, Aged about 29 years, D/o. A.V. Kumar, Permanent resident of No. 5604, Trendz Whispering Woods Apartment, Near Dasakoppal Bus Stop, Roopa Nagar, Mysore - 560 026, have changed my name from **A. ANUSHA** to **ANUSHA KUMAR ALAKUNTE.** Vide affidavit dated 24-10-2020 sworn before Advocate & Notary B.M. Chandrashekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, (OLD NAME) JOHERATU SHARAF MUSTAFA HUSAIN, Residing at No. G2, Burhani Flora Bohra Layout, Gottigere, Bengaluru-560083, have changed my name to **(NEW NAME) JOHRATU SHARAF MUSTAFA HUSAIN** vide affidavit dated 21/10/20 sworn before Notary R.Basavaraja, Bangalore.

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